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THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

of the
United Lutheran Church in America

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The 73rd Annual Convention

April 9-11, 1945

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Held in Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church
Omaha, Nebraska
The Rev. Walter H. Traub, D. D., LL. D., Pastor

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The Lutheran Brotherhood

28th Annual Convention
April 9th, 1945

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Parish Life and Work

Rev. Paul Wiegman (Chairman); Rev. H. J. Goede (Church School); Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D. (Women of the Church); Rev. A. H. Pinkall (Men of the Church); Rev. G. Gieschen (Youth of the Church); Miss Amanda Jorn, St. Paul's, Falls City (Children of the Church).

Protocol

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Rev. H. J. Goede — Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt

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CALENDAR FOR 1946

Place of Synod—First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska
Time—April 29, 30, May 1, 1946
Synodical Sermon by the President of Synod
Ordination Sermon—Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D.; Alternate—Rev. J. E. Messer
Chaplain—Rev. F. W. Henkel; Alternate—Rev. J. B. Rupley, Jr.
Chorister—Rev. Martin J. Dolbeer, Jr.
Organist--Rev. Wm. F. Most

ROLL OF SYNOD

	Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
	1. Anderson, P. O.		1945	1944	Immanuel, Bellevue	
*	2. Baltzly, O. D., Ph.D., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha		1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
*	3. Berhenke, C. H.		1935	1935	Chaplain, U. S. N.	
	4. Cordts, H. C., 304 W. 20th, Falls City		1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	Chester Rodgers
	5. Cress, F. L., Allen		1928	1936	First, Allen	
	6. Davis, R. V., Scribner		1930	1929	United, Scribner	Wm. Low*
					Emmanuel, Snyder	Amos Musbach*
*	7. Daubenspeck, W. M.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
	8. de Freese, P., Hooper		1943	1942	Grace, Hooper	A. R. Kuhlman
***	9. Delo, F. S., 1024 S. 9th St., Lincoln		1894	1938	Retired	
*	10. Dorner, E. A.		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
	11. Dumler, H., Davenport		1926	1925	Christ, Davenport	Cuthbert R. Miller
*	12. Estrada, D., So. America		1931	1931	Missionary	
	13. Frank, A. O., D.D., 325 E. 10th, Fremont		1923	1940	Salem, Fremont	F. E. Wood***
						W. W. Frankfurt***
	14. Frederick, P. W. H., D.D., ~~Ret.~~, 1653 N. Colson, Fremont		1900	1931	Professor at Western Seminary	
*	15. Frederick, S.		1937	1937	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
	16. Gieschen, G., 7103 Mine Lusa Ave., Omaha		1924	1934	Redeemer, Omaha	M. S. Nelson
	17. Gigstad, K., Hampton		1941	1940	Emmanuel, Hampton	Will Hahle
	18. Goede, H. J., 1310 S. 26 St., Omaha		1930	1938	Grace, Omaha	
*	19. Guss, W. I., D.D., 127 N. 40, Omaha 3		1899	1919	Retired	
	20. Harman, C. B., D.D., 225 E. Ashton, Grand Island		1900	1909	Retired	
*	21. Haugse, E. N.		1935	1935	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
*	22. Hartwig, G. H., Fremont		1901	1941	Professor at Midland College	
	23. Heidenreich, W. C., Oshkosh		1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh	G. L. Bergquist*
					Grace, Lewellen	Harry Tilgner*
***	24. Henkel, F. W., Auburn		1926	1938	St. Paul's, Auburn	Clarence Hendrickson
	25. Hershey, J. C., D.D., 1138 N. Broad, Fremont		1917	1917	President of Synod	
*	26. Holz, Wm. A., South America		1931	1931	Missionary	
***	27. Joens, H., Dakota City		1929	1929	Salem, Dakota City	Roy Bartels***
	28. Kahse, W. T., D.D. P. O. Box 123, Sidney		1905	1912	Trinity, Sidney	Marius Christensen*
	29. Klink, W. A., D.D., West Point		1917	1917	Grace, West Point	W. J. Fegley
	30. Leamer, J. S., D.D., 3404 17th, Columbus		1895	1940	Retired	
	31. Lesher, L. H., D.D., 847 S. 14th, Lincoln		1921	1939	Grace, Lincoln	O. L. Sturtevant
*	32. Magalee, P. A., British Guiana, South America		1938	1938	Missionary	
*	33. Mendenhall, G. N., D.D., Ph.D., Sterling, Kansas		1908	1922	Professor	
	34. Messer, J. E., South Sioux City		1932	1945	First, South Sioux City	H. C. Obermoller
	35. Miller, J. C., Verdon		1915	1928	St. Mark's, Verdon	
					Trinity, Stella	

*36.	Moeller, G. E.	1932	1932	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
37.	Mortensen, E. C., Paxton	1920	1920	Trinity, Paxton	John Holmstedt*
*38.	Mortensen, G. E.	1920	1920	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
39.	Most, W. F., 5211 Seward St., Omaha	1931	1943	Luther Memorial, Omaha	Otto Nelson
**40.	Matzkus, W.	1918	1940	In secular work	
41.	Mumm, Harry, Leigh	1944	1943	St. John's, Leigh	Gerhard Hollmann
42.	Olson, Carl J., Stamford	1911	1944	Trinity, Stamford	John Rosenbrook
43.	Petersen, Erich C., Ponca	1931	1945	Salem, Ponca	
44.	Pfeiffer, R. R., Emerson	1929	1943	St. Luke's, Emerson	Ernest Enke
45.	Pinkall, A. H., 3931 S. 23rd, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's Omaha	W. A. Heuer
46.	Rinde, T. D., D.D., 1406 N. Broad, Fremont	1924	1927	Dean of Western Seminary	
*47.	Rohlfing, E. F., British Guiana, South America	1935	1934	Missionary	
48.	Rubrecht, G. K., D.D., 311 W. 5, North Platte	1905	1928	First, North Platte	Wm. J. Hendy*
49.	Rupley, J. B., Sr., 1321 W. 2nd, Grand Island	1916	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island	Fred Moeller***
50.	Rupley, J. B., Jr., York	1942	1941	First, York First, McCool Junction	
*51.	Sass, W. H.	1925	1924	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
52.	Shiery, George H. U., 214 N. 9, Beatrice	1913	1944	Trinity, Beatrice	Wm. R. Kleman*
53.	Shiery, John H. M., 3222 14 St., Columbus	1945	1944	United, Columbus	Otto Heuer*
54.	Shirck, Robert, Rising City	1945	1944	First, Rising City	Philip Glock***
55.	Schuldt, T. J. C., 419 Pearl, Wayne	1936	1936	St. Paul's, Wayne	Ben Meyer
56.	Switzer, Ernest, Hildreth	1944	1943	St. Paul's, Hildreth	H. C. Garrelts
57.	Traub, W. H., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha	P. H. Palmquist
58.	Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah St. John's Vacoma	S. A. Wassum
59.	Wood, E. G., Chirala Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary	
60.	Young, A. W., 2547 N. 62nd, Omaha	1926	1944	First Eng. Lutheran, Omaha	Geo. Wood***
61.	Bartels, Raymond, Western Seminary (Licentiate)		1945	Messiah, Broadwater	Edwin I. Spencer
62.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			St. Paul's, Hardy	
63.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			First, Wilber	Mrs. L. J. Skocpol
64.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Hampton)			Zion, Benedict	Leonard Foote
65.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Salem)			Emmanuel, Dakota City	
66.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Dakota City)			St. Paul's, Homer	
67.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—with Dakota City)			Trinity, Hubbard	
68.	Vacant			First, Ericson	
69.	Vacant (Supplied by Dr. Harman)			Trinity, Wolbach	
70.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Paxton)			Grace, Sutherland	
71.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			Grace, Gurley	
72.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			Trinity, Dalton	
73.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			Grace, Walton	Fred Anderson*
74.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			Trinity, Eagle	Herman Kirchoff*
75.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			First, Nebraska City	
76.	Vacant (Reg. Supply—Seminary)			St. Mark's, Omaha	Mrs. A. W. Engelhardt*

*Absent and Excused
**Absent and Not Excused
***Absent Part Time and Excused
****Absent Part Time and Not Excused

MINUTES

of the

SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

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MONDAY AFTERNOON **APRIL 9, 1945**

HOLY COMMUNION

The Seventy-third Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, the Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., LL.D., Pastor, at two o'clock Monday afternoon, April 9, 1945.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were conducted by the clerical officers of Synod. The Rev. Armin G. Weng, Ph.D., D.D., President of the Illinois Synod and Official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, preached the Communion Sermon.

TUESDAY MORNING **8:45 A.M.** **APRIL 10, 1945**

OPENING OF SYNOD

The Devotional Service was conducted by the Rev. G. Gieschen, liturgist, and the Rev. J. E. Messer, who brought the meditation.

Following the Devotional Service the Formal Opening of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

The roll of Synod was called, forty-one pastors and twenty-six lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. A motion carried that the recommendations be adopted and that the first eight pews constitute the bar of Synod.

The following pastors were received into the membership of Synod: Rev. George H. U. Shiery from the Pennsylvania Ministerium, Rev. Carl J. Olson from the Manitoba Synod, Rev. Erich C. Petersen from the Wartburg Synod and Rev. Ernest Switzer from the Iowa Synod.

The President of Synod presented his Report and referred it to the Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Brethren of Synod:

The Grace, Mercy and Peace of God The Father, Christ The Son and The Holy Spirit be with you all.

As we meet in this Seventy-third Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, we are conscious of the fact that we have been laboring under tremendous stress and strain. The world is anything but at peace. Only as we hover under the protecting wings of Almighty God do we find real peace, strength and encouragement for our weary souls.

Twelve years have passed since we last enjoyed the hospitality of this congregation. Like most of our congregations this one too is expanding not only in usefulness but also in its working facilities. The new Parish Hall is a needful addition to the efficiency of this large group of people. We appreciate the privilege of sharing with them their homes and the use of their church while in Omaha.

The shortage of pastors has not improved since we met last year and we see very little hope of improvement for some time to come. Again we are thankful for the Seminary and its personnel for helping in the care of our vacant congregations.

The statistical report reveals that we have made gains in every department of our Church with the exception of the Church School.

The treasurer also reports nice gains in our contributions. This is as it should be for our heavenly Father has been good to us and has showered blessing upon us in such abundance that "there is not room enough to receive it."

Statement of Official Acts

Resignations

May 15, 1944, Rev. Clarence Hanson, Hardy.
June 12, 1944, Rev. W. S. Livers, Ponca.
July 1, 1944, Rev. Martin Stricker, Potter.
September 1, 1944, Rev. M. B. Simon, Spencer.
November 1, 1944, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Nebraska City.
January 1, 1945, Rev. W. W. Alexander, St. Mark's, Omaha.
April 8, 1945, Rev. C. J. Naugle, Assistant, Kountze Memorial, Omaha.
June 1, 1945, Rev. F. C. Wiegman, D.D., President of Midland College.

Calls Accepted

June 1, 1944, Rev. George U. Shiery, to Beatrice.
June 11, 1944, Rev. John H. M. Shiery, to Columbus.
June 1, 1944, Rev. Robert Shirck, to Rising City.
November 1, 1944, Rev. Carl J. Olson, to Stamford.
November 1, 1944, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, to Wayne.
February 1, 1945, Rev. Erich Petersen, to Ponca.

Ordination

April 25. 1945, Harry Mumm.

Licensure

April 25, 1944, Robert Shirck.
April 25, 1944, Arthur Freeberg.
October 1, 1944, P. O. Anderson.
January 19, 1945, Raymond Bartels.

Installations

June 4, 1944, Harry Mumm, St. John's, Leigh.
August 13, 1944, Ernest Switzer, St. Paul's, Hildreth.
January 21, 1945, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, St. Paul's, Wayne.
January 28, 1945, Rev. Carl J. Olson, Trinity, Stamford.
March 11, 1945, Rev. Erich Petersen, Salem, Ponca.

Anniversaries

July 9, 1944, St. John's, Leigh, celebrated its 25th anniversary as a congregation. The speakers were Rev. G. Gieschen, a former pastor, and Rev. William Eller, a son of the congregation, now pastor of St. Luke's, Sioux City, Iowa. The climax of the celebration was the burning of a $1,600.00 mortgage. The congregation is now debt free.

Dismissals

June 12, 1944, Rev. W. S. Livers, to Synod of Iowa.
September 1, 1944, Rev. M. B. Simon, to Synod of Iowa.
February 6, 1945, Rev. W. W. Alexander, to Synod of Kansas.
March 28, 1945, Rev. F. C. Wiegman, D.D., to Synod of Ohio.
March 28, 1945, Rev. C. J. Naugle, to Synod of Kansas.

Rededication

November 26, 1944, First Church at McCool rededicated. Rev. F. C. Wiegman, D.D., as the speaker. Church repainted on exterior and redecorated on the interior. New lights, pulpit, electric organ, pulpit Bible, were given as memorials. New vestments were worn by the choir. Three steps now lead to the altar and the communion rail is now one step above the floor level. The choir loft was changed, made larger and now seats twenty-four. New burgundy carpet adorns the sanctuary, choir loft, and aisles. The entire project cost $3,000 and was paid for before the service of rededication.

February 11, 1945, Trinity, Sidney, was rededicated. A $1,500.00 fire made this church useless for some time. After repairing the damage an additional $1,000.00 was spent on improvements which place the church in first class condition.

The Churches

Allen: Debt paid in full, 40 men in country's service.

Auburn: Two young men preparing for the ministry, two in question, 53 men and one lady in service, and two gold stars.

Beatrice: Eighteen men in service, 3 gold stars.

Benedict: Redecorating of church completed at cost of $1,800.00. Christian and American flags presented to church by Progressive Class. Twenty-nine men in service.

Broadwater: Debt reduced $216. Twenty-nine men in service.

Columbus: Debt reduced $500. Fourteen men in service.

Dakota City: Salem, 24 men and one lady in service.

Davenport: Service flag dedicated, U. S. flag given to church, painting of Christ placed above altar, title of this life size picture "Come Unto Me". Green and white altar and pulpit paraments purchased.

Emerson: Fifty-five men in service, two gold stars, illuminated cross hung in the chancel was dedicated to Harman Wriedt who had served on church council for many years. This was a gift of relatives and friends. East side of church roof reshingled, cost $200. Forty-two new members received.

Falls City: Sixty-eight men and one lady in service, 2 gold stars.

Grand Island: One hundred eighty-four men in the service and 7 ladies. Ten men have been honorably discharged. Three gold stars are on the service flag. One young man is studying for the ministry.

Hampton: Twenty men and one lady in the service, and one gold star on the service flag. Chancel redecorated and new floor laid in the church at a cost of $265.

Hildreth: Debt paid in full, work progressing nicely and the pastor teaching half time in the High School to help with shortage of teachers.

Hooper: Thirty-five men and two ladies in the service and one gold star on the service flag. Three young men are thinking seriously of preparing for the ministry.

Leigh: Twenty men in service, debt paid in full and a net gain of twelve in the membership of the church.

Lincoln: Redecorated the auditorium, added $7,000 to building fund. A Church Architect and a Building Committee are working on details of a new plant to start when conditions permit.

McCool: Twenty-six men and 3 ladies in the service and no gold stars.

North Platte: Apportionment and L. W. A. paid in full, an additional $1,000 given to Tabitha Home, gifts amounting to $7,000 were contributed to the Lutheran Hospital Fund in North Platte by members and families of the church, Church School has had a wonderful come-back and offerings doubled. Five Young People's organizations flourish, but Luther League limps for the lack of proper leadership, and the congregation hopes to wipe out a $6,800 mortgage this spring.

Omaha, Kountze Memorial: December 5, 1944, 86th anniversary was celebrated and all in service were honored. Governor Dwight Griswold was the speaker. There are 608 men and 15 ladies in the service and 12 gold stars on the service flag.

Omaha, Redeemer: Seventy-three men and 7 ladies in the service and one preparing for the ministry. Parsonage was sold and a new one purchased.

Omaha, St. Luke's: One hundred eighteen men and 3 ladies in the service with 3 gold stars on the service flag. Substantial payments are being made on indebtedness. The congregation is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year by putting forth special effort to secure gifts for Lutheran World Action, Midland College and Tabitha Home.

Omaha, Luther Memorial: Sixteen men and two ladies in the service, debt was reduced $1222.40 and a beautiful set of Eucharist candlesticks were given to the church by the Missionary Society.

Paxton: Thirty-nine men in the service and quota met in full for Midland College.

Ponca: Forty-nine men in the service and one gold star on the service flag. Four hundred dollars were spent on extensive repairs.

Sidney: Thirty-four men and one lady in the service with one gold star on the service flag.

South Sioux City: Sixty-five men and one lady in the service with one gold star on the service flag. The final $5,000 mortgage on the church was burned January 9, 1945.

Stamford: Eighteen men in the service.

Verdon: Twelve men in the service. Repairs on parsonage $80.

Wayne: Fifty-six men and 3 ladies in the service with one gold star on the service flag.

West Point: Eighty-two men and 3 ladies in the service. Sunday School rooms were redecorated at a cost of $285 and American and Christian flags placed in Sunday School Room.

Wilber: Seventeen men in the service. A generous cancellation of outstanding loans among the members of the church made a new basement a "paid up" project. A new oil-burning furnace costing $554.40 was installed and paid for. Two ladies societies donated materials and labor for the decorating of the basement and furnishing equipment for the kitchen. The parsonage roof was reshingled and the inside redecorated. Fifty-six Women's Missionary Society Life Memberships were presented by a friend to the Sunday School teachers, Primary Department pupils and members of the Missionary Society in recognition of faithful Church and Sunday School activity in spite of a great handicap, being without a resident pastor for five years.

Scribner: Sixteen men and one lady in the service and one gold star on the service flag.

Snyder: Eleven men and one lady in the service.

York: Twenty-four men in the service. Paying off $1,300 indebtedness this spring.

Recommendations

Inasmuch as the war continues and will continue for some time to come with its devastation of lives and property and the opposition to all that is good in the world, and inasmuch as it has brought sorrow to many homes, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we, with humble and sincere hearts, call upon our people to meet with God daily in the reading of His Word and in prayer, and petition Him to over-rule all the destructive forces in the world and to turn these destructive forces into channels for peace and good will toward all men.

And FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED:

2. That as we are contributing billions for implements for destruction let us contribute cheerfully and generously toward those agencies through which God works, the apportioned benevolence, the Lutheran World Action, Christian Higher Education, and the Institutions of Mercy.

And FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED:

3. That pastors hold special seasons of prayer with parents who have prospective sons for the ministry, that the hearts of these sons may be filled with loving service through the Gospel ministry.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN C. HERSHEY.

A motion carried to omit the reading of printed reports.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood.

TREASURER'S REPORT—1944

Receipts

The Apportionment	$36,441.89
Foreign Missions	1,782.38
Lutheran World Action	7,914.70
Midland College Special Gifts	320.67
Tabitha Home	2,304.44
Brotherhood Space in Minutes of Synod	10.00
Ministerial Pensions and Relief	10.40
American Bible Society	11.47
Hooper Relief	248.27
Offering at Synod	51.23
Refund E. V. Augustine	45.00
Omaha Grace	3.00
Good Shepherd	25.00
Forward Midland Campaign	62.85
Rev. Rohlfing Station Wagon	46.06
Midland Assembly	12.00
Board of American Missions	105.00
Promotion	37.16
	$49,431.52

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church Apportionment	$13,898.93
Specials	9,976.58
Midland College Apportionment	12,273.00
Specials	320.67

Tabitha Home Apportionment	3,398.48
Specials	2,304.44
Mission Committee	1,400.00
Ministerial Education	250.00
Miscellaneous:	
American Bible Society	5.59
Forward Midland Campaign	62.35
Grace Church, Hooper	248.27
Synod Items:	
Midland Assembly	12.00
J. C. Hershey, Salary and Expense	3,586.00
A. H. Pinkall, Parish Life Committee	2.00
W. W. Alexander, Parish Life Committee	8.80
G. K. Rubrecht, Parish Life Committee	12.27
Henry Goede, Parish Life Committee	2.60
W. S. Livers, Parish Life Committee	9.60
Paxton Hotel, Executive Committee Expense	20.90
T. J. C. Schuldt, Executive Committee Expense	19.92
W. A. Klink, Executive Committee Expense	19.35
W. W. Kuenning, Executive Committee Expense	4.93
F. E. Wood, Executive Committee Expense	3.20
Omaha Postage Co., Stationery	6.50
Perkins Printing Co., Synod Lutheran	224.28
M. A. Ritzen	1.50
R. V. Davis, Salary Statistician and Expense	54.00
Nebraska State Building Co., Box Rent	2.40
F. E. Wood, Salary, Stationery, and Stamps	121.65
G. Gieschen, L. L. Camp	15.00
Rosella Carr, L. L. Camp	45.00
Enterprise, Minutes Synod	267.13
10 Delegates to ULC Convention at $45.00	450.00
T. J. C. Schuldt, salary and expense	108.86
G. K. Rubrecht, Home Missions Conference	10.86
J. B. Rupley, Sr., Midland Board Meeting	15.25
J. W. Cattern, Printing Checks	5.00
H. Dumler, Mission Committee	6.00
Rev. Alvin M. Peterson, University Student Work	100.00
E. C. Mortensen, Scholarship	25.00
W. A. Klink, Scholarship	25.00
H. Dumler, Scholarship	25.00
Midland College Mimeo Reports Synod	8.00
St. Luke's Church, Janitor Services and Telegram	6.28
J. F. Bostairs, Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Hansen Audit Co.	25.00
L. H. Lesher, Stewardship Committee	4.00
W. A. Klink, Stewardship Committee	2.72
W. F. Kedde, Stewardship Committee	3.36
F. W. Henkel, Exam. Committee	10.00
W. W. Alexander, Exam. Committee	2.80
John Shiery, Exam. Committee	2.50
Exchange	8.05
	$49,431.52

BENEVOLENCE REPORT FOR 1944

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Church	App'm't	Paid	%	Specials	Totals	LWA
Allen	$ 456	$ 169.00	37	$ 1.00	$ 170.00	
Auburn	1,446	1,446.00	100	527.61	1,973.61	$ 252.80
Beatrice	508	373.00	73.4	166.00	539.00	71.00
Benedict	485	380.00	80	103.43	483.43	91.03
Broadwater	559	156.00	27.9	104.53	260.53	79.53
Columbus	286	288.00	100.7	70.93	358.93	65.58
Dak. City Im.	32	5.00	15.6	10.00	15.00	10.00
Dak. City Sal.	546	411.90	75.4	83.65	495.55	10.00
Dalton	499	100.00	20	137.04	237.04	48.00
Davenport	942	942.00	100	62.91	1,004.91	51.41
Eagle	208	10.35	5	------	10.35	------
Emerson	859	859.00	100	295.78	1,154.78	206.96
Eriksen	74	14.00	19	------	14.00	------
Falls City	2,546	1,027.00	40.3	105.20	1,132.20	105.20
Fremont	2,167	2,261.21	104	838.71	3,099.92	379.20
Grand Island	4,398	2,259.00	51.3	495.61	2,754.61	460.33
Gurley	541	345.00	64	20.00	365.00	------
Hampton	277	50.00	18	62.88	112.88	62.88
Hardy	333	150.00	45	40.40	190.40	40.40
Hildreth	383	145.00	38	134.20	279.20	50.00
Homer	795	13.03	1.6	------	13.03	------
Hooper	929	550.00	60	219.88	769.88	213.00
Hubbard	277	41.00	15	11.11	52.11	11.11
Leigh	767	370.34	48	180.00	550.34	95.00
Lewellen	277	261.00	94	64.00	325.00	56.00
Lincoln	2,315	2,375.00	102	610.08	2,985.08	500.00
McCool Jct.	374	283.00	75	142.80	425.80	82.75
Nebraska City	744	458.36	61.6	149.62	607.98	149.62
No. Platte	2,204	2,242.00	101.7	1,271.60	3,513.60	650.51
Omaha First	1,395	622.00	45	130.00	752.00	130.00
Omaha Grace	785	162.00	20.6	86.82	248.82	83.82
Omaha K. M.	10,146	4,800.00	47.3	2,686.04	7,486.04	870.61
Omaha L. M.	268	571.00	213	181.66	752.66	136.66
Om. Redm.	1,769	2,205.00	124	294.95	2,499.95	294.95
Om. St. Lukes	2,504	2,602.00	104	614.13	3,216.13	551.65
Om. St. Marks	624	517.43	83	145.28	662.71	108.24
Oshkosh	222	222.00	100	28.00	250.00	28.00
Paxton	485	546.00	112	243.00	789.00	174.00
Ponca	1.007	574.04	57	221.14	795.18	211.14
Potter	156	156.00	100	45.00	201.00	45.00
Rising City	940	452.00	48	202.80	654.80	172.00
Scribner	739	163.00	22	226.55	389.55	67.05
Sidney	785	786.34	100	307.00	1,093.34	140.00
Snyder	254	25.00	10	66.05	91.05	38.50
S. Sioux City	1,178	712.00	60.5	374.98	1,086.98	300.04
Spencer	397	48.00	12	82.75	130.75	82.75
Stamford	660	208.00	31.5	5.00	213.00	------
Stella	97	------	----	------	------	------
Sutherland	74	88.00	119	55.45	143.45	30.00
Tekamah	420	420.00	100	127.00	547.00	71.00
Vacoma	273	200.00	73	38.26	238.26	22.26

Verdon ----	559	140.00	25	80.75	220.75	80.75
Walton ----	453	101.00	22.3	------	101.00	------
Wayne ----	1,377	587.00	41	219.46	806.46	145.57
W. Point ---	1,566	936.89	59.8	412.25	1,349.14	316.25
Wilber -----	356	89.00	25	------	89.00	
Wolbach ---	610	89.00	14.6	15.00	104.00	15.00
York ------	434	434.00	100	70.11	504.11	57.15
	$56,760	$36,441.89	64.2	$12,868.40	$49,310.29	$7,914.70

Fremont, Nebraska, March 27, 1945.

To the Board of Trustees,

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska
of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Complying with the request of your Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, we have again audited the books of the Synod following upon our previous audit, which was as of January 31, 1944. Our present audit continues from that date through January 12, 1945.

The Officers of the Synod during the period covered were:

Reverend John C. Hershey, President.
Reverend T. J. C. Schuldt, Secretary.
Mr. F. E. Wood, Treasurer.

The Exhibits of the report are listed below:

Exhibit "A": Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1944, to January 12, 1945, inclusive.

Exhibit "B": Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1944, to January 12, 1945, inclusive.

Exhibit "C": Bank Reconcilement, January 12, 1945.

Our report as submitted agrees with the financial records of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church in America as kept by the Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is a correct accounting for all receipts and disbursements for the period covered.

The balance on hand in the bank on January 12, 1945, is correctly stated according to the book of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT COMPANY,
By James R. Hansen.

A motion carried that the Report of the auditors be accepted.

The Rev. Harvey Clark, Official Representative of the American Bible Society, spoke to Synod, presenting the work of his organization.

A motion carried to adopt the following resolution:

In view of the missionary character of the American Bible Society in that Scriptures are given, sold at less than cost, or sold without purpose of profit; and in view of the fact that the contributions of the church meet only about one-fourth of the regular budget,

BE IT RESOLVED that:

We urge our pastors and people to greater consideration of the place of Bible distribution,

Endorse the efforts of the Society in the promotion of Bible reading,

Work for more earnest support in prayers and gifts,

And increase the education as to its place as the agency of the church for this work at home and abroad.

Pastor R. V. Davis, Statistician, presented his Report.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

There are 59 congregations enrolled. Reports have been received from 55 congregations. Congregations from which reports have not been received and which are without regular pastors are: Ericson, First Lutheran; Homer, St. Paul's; Hubbard, Trinity; Walton, Grace.

A duplicate copy of the report of each congregation, with the necessary corrections made by your Statistician, and a summary of all reports will be sent to the secretary of the U. L. C. A.

The Clerical Roll of Synod (December 31, 1944) lists 59 names classified as follows: 34 active pastors, 8 chaplains, 4 professors, teachers and general workers, 4 foreign missionaries; 4 retired, 4 licensed and 1 in secular employment.

Membership - Gains - Losses

GAINS: 658 Baptized Members; 481 Confirmed Members; 310 Communing Members; 5 in Men's organizations; 42 in Women's organizations; 71 in Weekday School enrollment; 59 in catechumens; 5 in Lutheran Institutions; 1 in Non-Lutheran Institutions.

LOSSES: 54 in Sunday School enrollment; 83 in Children of Church; 134 in Young People's organizations; Mixed Organizations, 63.

Valuation Church Property - Gains - Losses

GAINS: In Church Buildings, $54,450; Parsonages, $6,700; Other Property, $21,987; Total Gain, $83,137.

LOSSES: $196 in Endowment.

Indebtedness

The Indebtedness of Synod on the property of the congregations of Synod in 1943 was $118,552, and in 1944 was $85,290, making a decrease in the indebtedness of $33,262.

Congregational Benevolence - Gains - Losses

GAINS: Foreign Missions, $877; American Missions, $2,218.80; Social Missions, $424.40; Other Benevolence, $5,745.31.

LOSSES: Education, $195.

Totals

Total Unapportioned Benevolence $28,144.51, or an increase of $9,070.51 over last year. Total Apportioned Benevolence $36,441.89, or an increase of $3,719.79 over last year. Total Benevolence (Unapportioned and Apportioned) was $64,586.40, or an increase of $12,790.20 over last year. Total Expenditures of Synod was $295,472.40, or an increase of $32,609.20 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. V. DAVIS.

The Rev. George Krebs, Field Secretary of Midland College, was introduced to Synod.

President J. C. Hershey announced the Special Committees.

The Report of the Executive Committee of Synod was presented by the Secretary. A motion carried that adoption of a budget be deferred and included as an item under unfinished business.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (1944-1945)

1. The Executive Committee held three meetings since the last meeting of Synod.

2. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed and the Calendar for the 1945 Convention was arranged as shown in the 1944 Minutes.

3. The Committee transacted the unfinished business referred to it by the 1944 Convention.

4. The licensure of students John Shiery and Clarence Hansen was authorized pending their appearance before and approval by the Examining Committee.

5. Scholarships authorized by Synod (Report of the Committee on Resolutions, item 8) were awarded as follows: Rev. H. Dumler (So. Platte Conference) for attendance at the Garrett Biblical School for Rural Work, Chicago; Dr. W. A. Klink (No. Platte Conference) and Rev. E. C. Mortensen (Western Conference) for attendance at the Rural Christian Fellowship Institute, Nebraska State Agricultural College, Lincoln.

6. The licensure of student Ray Bartels was authorized pending approval by the Examining Committee.

7. Approval was given to the recommendation of the Ministerial Education Committee which would grant beneficiaries $50 per semester according to the tri-semester plan.

8. In recognition of memorials from the three Conferences of Synod, approval was given for a two-hour discussion of rural work during the meeting of Synod.

The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D., Supt. of Tabitha Home, spoke to Synod presenting the work of that institution. A motion carried that the suggested authorization of a home for crippled children be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The first ballot was taken for Vice-President.

Mr. F. E. Wood was nominated for Treasurer. A motion carried that the nominations cease. A motion carried that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. F. E. Wood as Treasurer. Mr. Wood was declared elected.

Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D., Chairman of the Committee on Social Missions, presented his Report. Dr. Frank then presented his Reports as "Synodical Reporter to The Lutheran" and Chairman of the Synodical "Committee on Publications." A motion carried that the Reports be received.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

"The importance of Social Missions in the life of the Church was never more impelling than today. When so many forces and circumstances unite to vitiate life, to consume the time and energies of the members of the Church, to lower the standards by which conduct is judged, Social Missions assume a larger place than ever before in the ongoing and developing program of the church.

"This is true because Social Missions deals with the practical expression of the spiritual life of the Church. It is concerned with the relationships between man and man, growing out of man's realization that he is the child of God, a member of the Father's family on earth in which all men are brothers and potentially co-heirs with Jesus Christ. Social Missions deals with the whole man in the whole round of relationships, with himself, his fellowmen and his God."

The above is the opening statement of the report of the Board of Social Missions made in Minneapolis last October. The work of the Board concerns itself with social action, our inner missions with its institutional work, evangelism, social relief, etc.

The Board sends out valuable, informative material which pastors may well file, and preserve for reference and use in congregational activity. Your committee would encourage pastors and lay leaders to use this material, as an aid in congregational work. All suggestions are only "suggestions" which may be adapted and adopted for help in producing fruitfulness in the congregation.

Your committee recommends the reading of the Convention report, as well as the special literature sent out. Information given to lay leaders often will result in awakening interest to do the thing under lay leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

A. O. FRANK, Chairman.

SYNODICAL REPORTER TO "THE LUTHERAN"

"It pays to advertise is not only a slogan for business, but one of the duties of Christian congregations. We need to witness to the world of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "By their fruits shall ye know them." Nebraska Synod congregations are producing fruits worthy of publicity, by which the whole church may know us. Your reporter solicits these worthy news items for publication in our official Church paper. The news which has appeared has been gleaned, rath-

er than gathered in the past year, yet your reporter wishes to thank those pastors who have reported events to him. "Cornhusker News" will report through "The Lutheran" to our ULCA when pastors report the news.

Respectfully submitted,
ALFRED O. FRANK, Reporter.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Your committee on Publications desires to recommend many of the books which are reviewed in "The Lutheran" and other of our journals, as information to give to our lay members. Suggest books as gifts within organizations of the church and among friends. Our official Publications are worthy of more patronage by lay leaders and members.

Respectfully submitted,
A. O. FRANK, Chairman,
H. DUMLER.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Vice-President. Rev. C. B. Harman, D.D., was declared elected.

The Report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home was given by Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.

TABITHA HOME

Sustained by the Providence of Almighty God and borne on the wings of material prosperity, Tabitha Home has rendered another year of service to the One who said: "In as much as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren . . . ye have done it unto Me".

Tabitha Home this year is 59 years old; has been under the auspices of the Lutheran Church since 1906; has cared for over 2000 children and many old people have found refuge within her walls. Many problems faced the management during the year but one of the members of the Board who has been connected with the Home since it became a Lutheran Home, made the statement: "I have never known the Home to be running smoother than now."

On March 1, there were 71 aged guests living in the Home. During the year the total number of aged served was 87. There were 64 children living at Tabitha during the year. There were 37, ages ranging from 4 to 14 at the Home on March 1. A number of activities have been instituted in the Home that have had both spiritual and therapeutic value to the aged.

The real thrill came to the Board at its Annual Meeting, March 13, when the report on the Building Fund was made. On January 1, 1943, this fund was $21,450.00 In the two years 1943 and 1944 there was over $100,000.00 added to the Building Fund. At the time of the meeting of the Board, this Fund was $126,000.00. The Superintendent reported that 48 rooms had been subscribed for and paid.

Dr. L. Burr Smith, Head of the College of Architecture at the University of Nebraska, spoke to the Board concerning the plans for the new building. We still have the hope of starting the new building during 1945. This depends upon how soon the European War closes.

Two friends of Tabitha Home were present at the Board meeting and made a fine and substantial gift to the Home, announcement of which will be made some time during this year through the "Messenger".

One of the recommendations of the Superintendent to the Board was concerning the need of a Home for Crippled Children. There is a very great need for such a Home maintained by our Lutheran Church here in the midwest. The Board authorized that through the representatives of the Synods, request should be made to the Synods for the privilege of presenting this phase of Tabitha's work to our congregations.

Financial Report

The Operating statement made by the auditors showed that during the year 1944, the total receipts into the General Fund amounted to $46,960.87. The total expenses amounted to $35,053.44; leaving an excess of income receipts over expenditures of $11,907.43. Last year the Executive Committee authorized the establishing of an Emergency and Depreciation Fund. Balances from the General Fund are added to this Fund from time to time. This fund now amounts to $10,667.35. It is for the lean years.

The source of Income is as follows:

GENERAL FUND

Income Receipts:

	Year 1944 Amount	%
Operations	$26,602.33	56.6
Income from Investments	1,871.88	4.0
Synodical Apportionments	9,409.91	20.0
Community Chest	2,800.00	6.0
Voluntary Contributions	6,276.75	13.4
Total Income	$46,960.87	100.0

Fund Balance—January 1, 1944		$60,375.59
Additions:		
Donations	$21,879.67	
Transferred from General Fund	17,478.06	
Transferred from Annuity Fund	1,200.00	
Transferred from Endowment Fund	980.00	
Bequests	1,800.00	
Interest Received	1,247.37	
Profit on Sale of Government Bonds	103.11	44,688.21
Fund Balance—December 31, 1944		$105,063.21

Respectfully submitted,

The first ballot was taken for Secretary.

The Rev. H. Dumler, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions, presented his Report including a letter of greeting to Synod from Mrs. Corinne M. Machetzki.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

For the January, 1944, Mission Time Appeal, the Sunday Schools of our Synod contributed $337.87. For the January, 1945, Appeal our Synod so far has contributed $203.60. Only 5 Sunday Schools have sent their Epiphany Appeal contributions to the Treasurer of Synod. Let's back up the "Forward Movement in Missions" with our contributions.

Missionaries for "Schools of Missions" will not be available until the post-Easter season, perhaps from April 8th until July 15, 1945.

The cause of Foreign Missions has been kept before the churches through the "Nebraska Synod Lutheran".

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY DUMLER, Chairman.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Secretary. Rev. Theodore J. C. Schuldt was declared elected.

The Rev. Harry Mumm, Chairman of the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to The Lutheran, presented his Report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROMOTING SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE LUTHERAN

Your Committee for Promotion of Subscriptions to The Lutheran sent two letters to every congregation of Synod, strongly urging that a subscription campaign be conducted in each congregation with enthusiastic support from the pastor.

A self-addressed card was sent to each pastor asking for information necessary to make this Report complete. Of fifty-nine congregations contacted, twelve pastors returned the information card. The following therefore, cannot be a true picture of our Synod in this matter.

The office in Philadelphia reported that three pastors of our Synod formally enrolled in the campaign and requested materials. Reports of results were received from one of those three. However, three other pastors indicated they conducted drives without formal enrollment. The twelve replies indicate at least ninety-four subscribers to The Lutheran in our Synod.

Your Committee has no recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY J. MUMM, Chairman.

(Supplement) From the Office of The Lutheran

The following figures are now available. Out of 58 congregations, 9 reported subscriptions. We have received a total of 44 new subscriptions for one year and two for six months, also 90 renewals for one year and one for six months. This makes a total of 137 subscriptions and at present we have on the list 319. This means that the Synod has reached 29.7% of its quota. Last year the Synod reached 49% of its quota so you see the results have not been as good as last year.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Dr. L. H. Lesher, Chaplain of Synod.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON 2 P.M. APRIL 10, 1945

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. G. Gieschen.

The roll of Synod was called, forty pastors and twenty-six lay delegates being present.

Minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report.

The Rev. Armin G. Weng, Ph.D., D.D., President of the Illinois Synod, spoke to Synod as the Official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Mrs. G. K. Rubrecht, President of our Synodical Women's Missionary Society, brought greetings and a Report from that auxiliary. Mrs. Rubrecht then introduced the other Officers of our Synodical Women's Missionary Society and Mrs. L. J. Skoopol, a representative of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the Year Ending June 30, 1944, as Reported to Synod in April, 1945

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska held its Annual Convention in conjunction with Midland Assembly in Fremont, August 7 to 11, 1944. Copies of the Program, Printed Reports and the Minutes have been placed in the hands of the Secretary of Synod.

The total membership of the Synodical Society is 1131, a substantial increase over a year ago. No new Societies were reported. Funds amounting to $8523.57 were handled through our Treasury during the year, an increase of $1113.70.

All Districts of the Synodical Society held Conferences during the year. With the exception of Western District, which always meets in the fall in conjunction with the Pastor's Conference, these meetings were held in the spring. Central District met in Lincoln, April 20, 1944, in Grace Lutheran Church, the Rev. L. H. Lesher, pastor. Guest speaker was Miss Bertha Koenig, Missionary to Liberia. The Fremont District held its Conference in West Point, April 18, 1944, in Grace Church, pastor, the Rev. W. Klink. Miss Koenig was the guest speaker for this Conference. Omaha District met in Redeemer Lutheran Church, the Rev. G. Gieschen, pastor, guest speaker, Mrs. Merril S. Ady, former missionary to China. The Southeast District Conference was held at Nebraska City, May 28. Miss Bertha Koenig and Mrs. Fred C. Wiegman were speakers. Northeast District met June 14, 1944, in South Sioux City. Mrs. Corinne Matchetzki was the guest speaker. Western District met at Trinity Lutheran Church, Paxton, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, pastor, October 19 and 20, 1943. Dr. Fred C. Wiegman was the guest speaker. The Synodical President of the W.M.S. was present and spoke at three of the Conferences. Cash Box Work for Puerto Rico received at the Conference meetings Amounted to $216.39.

The Nebraska Society rejoices in the fact that one of our own girls, Miss Helen Evans, Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, recent graduate of Midland College, is a missionary under appointment to Liberia. At present she is studying in Biblical Seminary, New York City. Miss Evans is one of the twelve young women sought and trained during this Triennium for full time service in the Church. A goal of $1500.00 has been set by the Nebraska Society towards the Triennial Objective. The W.M.S. of the U.L.C.A. estimates that $125,000.00 will be needed to educate, send forth, and support the twelve young women now being selected. Of the twelve, seven have been chosen.

Officers elected at the 1944 Convention were as follows:
President, Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte, Nebraska.
Vice-President, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln, Nebraska.
Secretary, Mrs. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha, Nebraska.
Statistician, Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha, Nebraaska.
Treasurer, Miss Alta Schafersman, Fremont, Nebraska.
Ex. Board Members, Miss Frances Lolling, Lincoln (resigned) and Mrs. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton.

The Women's Missionary Society is thankful for the privilege of working in a special way for the furtherance of the Kingdom. At the same time we are happy to acknowledge our first allegiance to our Church and its full program. Our loyalty and love is ever pledged to the Church.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION 3:40 P.M. TUES., APRIL 10, 1945

The Executive Session of Synod convened at 3:40 P.M.

Dr. A. O. Frank, Chairman of the Examining Committee presented his Report. A motion carried that the recommendations be considered seriatim. The recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Omaha, Nebraska, April 10, 1945.

Brethren of Synod:

In accord with the spirit of the Memorial to Synod, your Committee has received the official statement of the Western Seminary, reporting upon the academic work and attainments of the men recommended to your Committee and examined them individually pertaining to their personal piety, religious convictions, call to the ministry and purpose therein.

1. Having satisfactorily passed the academic requirements of our Seminary, and the examination of your committee, we therefore respectfully recommend for licensure until the next meeting of Synod, Student Raymond Bartels, Senior, serving as regular supply pastor in the Broadwater congregation.

2. Having satisfactorily passed the academic requirements of the Seminary for graduation, and the examination of your Committee, we recommend for ordination at this session of Synod the following licenciates:

(1) Candidate P. O. Anderson, who has received and accepted a call to our congregation in Bellevue.

(2) Candidate Arthur Freeberg, who has received and accepted a call to the Lutheran Church of Bendena, Kansas, where he is now serving.

(3) Candidate John H. M. Shiery, who has received a call to our congregation in Columbus, Nebraska, and is serving there.

(4) Candidate Robert E. Shirck, who has received a call to our congregation in Rising City, Nebraska, and is serving there.

3. Your Committee further recommends in accord with the motion of the Evangelistic Committee of the Argentine field and at the request of the Board of Foreign Missions and the endorsement of the Rev. M. Edwin Thomas, D.D., that the name of Mr. William A. Holz again serving as a pastor in the Argentine mission be restored to the roll of Synod as an active pastor and that Synod send him certification of this action.

Respectfully submitted,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT,
JOHN B. RUPLEY, SR.,
F. W. HENKEL,
L. H. LESHER,
J. C. MILLER,
A. O. FRANK, Chairman.

Rev. G. Gieschen, Chairman of the Committee on Ministerial Education presented his Report. A motion carried that the recommendations be considered seriatim. I. Adopted. A motion carried to refer clarification of procedure in granting a beneficiary freedom in selecting the school for his pre-theological or theological training to the Committee on Constitution. II. Referred to the Committee on Constitution. III. Adopted. A motion carried that the offering at the Ordination Service be used as an emergency fund under direction of the Committee on Ministerial Education. A motion carried granting the Committee on Ministerial Education permission, until the next meeting of Synod, to use its funds in ways by which, according to its best judgment, present emergencies may be met.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Dr. L. H. Lesher, Chaplain of Synod.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

The Committee on Ministerial Education met at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, on April 10, 1945, at 1:00 P.M. to consider applications for financial aid to students for the ministry and for the transaction of other business that could properly come before it.

Raymond Bartels, a Senior at Western Seminary, has applied for a grant of $100.00, and the committee voted to allow this amount.

The financial statement of the Committee follows:

Balance in bank January 1, 1944	$ 748.90
Deposits for the year 1944	302.00
Total	$1050.90
Disbursements for 1944	700.00
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1944	$ 350.90
Received during 1945 to date	$ 120.00
Disbursed during 1945 to date	None

As a part of this report the Committee presents a Memorial in three parts, which is appended to the report.

G. GIESCHEN, Chairman,
HERMAN JOENS,
H. DUMLER,
W. C. HEIDENREICH,
R. V. DAVIS.

To The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, Assembled at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, April 9-11, 1945

I

WHEREAS Robert Bartels has requested permission to continue his theological studies at Northwestern Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS no clear directives are given by the Constitution of Synod regarding a course of action to be followed in cases of this kind;

BE IT RESOLVED that we respectfully request Synod (1) to grant Robert Bartels permission, at his own request, to continue his studies at Northwestern Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and (2) clarify for future action the mode of procedure to be followed in cases of this kind.

II

WHEREAS the Constitution of Synod includes among the items disqualifying an applicant for financial aid from Synod the stipulation that he shall not marry, and that he shall abstain from the use of tobacco (Art. IX, Sec. 2, D, c); and

WHEREAS the restriction regarding marriage does not apply to those who enter our College or Seminary already married; and

WHEREAS a considerable number of pastors in Synod do not consider the use of tobacco an immoral or disqualifying act; and

WHEREAS the strictures on the use of tobacco tend to produce hypocrisy and are generally unenforceable;

BE IT RESOLVED that we respectfully request that Synod amend Article IX, Section 2, D, c, by deleting the words . . . "not marry and they shall" . . . . "tobacco and" . . . . so that the second sentence in this paragraph shall read, "Beneficiaries shall abstain from all use of intoxicating beverages and narcotics during their course of study and while receiving aid from Synod."

III

WHEREAS the draft law of our country, as now operating, makes it imperative that prospective pre-theological students enter College immediately after graduation from high school, in order that they might obtain exemption from military service; and

WHEREAS students for the ministry who wish to enter College have no opportunity, as heretofore, to earn during a vacation period the necessary funds to pay for the cost of their Freshman year in College; and

WHEREAS the Constitution of Synod provides that no aid be given by the Committee on Ministerial Education prior to the Sophomore year, which places prospective students for the ministry who are unable to pay their way for the first College year into such a position that they will almost certainly be drafted for military service before they can enroll in a pre-theological course; and

WHEREAS the present and future need for theological candidates is such that all worthy young men should be encouraged in every way possible to prepare themselves for the ministry; and

WHEREAS your Committee has received, during the past year, three requests for aid from young men planning to enter the Freshman class at Midland College, two of whom are now being supported by individual congregations of Synod because the Committee could not grant aid; and

WHEREAS such requests are likely to continue to come to your Committee during this national emergency:

BE IT RESOLVED that we request Synod to set up an Emergency Student Aid Fund, to be used for the support of the worthy students for the ministry during their Freshman year for the duration of the present emergency, with the suggestion that this fund be raised by a special levy of five cents per communicant member and included in the budget of Synod.

THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION:
HERMAN JOENS,
H. DUMLER,
W. C. HEIDENREICH,
R. V. DAVIS,
G. GIESCHEN, Chairman.

ORDINATION SERVICE 8 P.M. TUESDAY, APRIL 10

The Ordination Service was conducted by the President of Synod assisted by the following pastors: Dr. C. B. Harman, Rev. G. H. U. Shiery, Dr. A. O. Frank, Rev. A. H. Pinkall and Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt. The Ordination Sermon was delivered by the Rev. A. H. Pinkall from the text II Corinthians 5:20.

The following candidates were ordained: P. O. Anderson, Arthur Freeberg, John H. M. Shiery and Robert Shirck. Student Raymond Bartels was licensed.

WEDNESDAY 8:45 A.M. APRIL 11, 1945

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. G. Gieschen, Liturgist, and Rev. J. E. Messer, who brought the meditation.

The roll of Synod was called, forty pastors and twenty-three lay delegates being present.

The Minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

The Report from our Synodical Brotherhood was presented by Rev. G. Gieschen.

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

To the Officers, Pastors and Lay-delegates of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska in Convention at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, April 9-11, 1945.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

While many of our younger men have been called into the service of our Country, and a large number of the older men have left their homes to work in defense industries, the remaining men in their organizations in our Lutheran Church have held their own. The number of old organizations may have decreased, due to the congregation being without a Pastor for some time, or some Pastors do not see the necessity of having a men's group, the new organizations formed, have kept the total nearly at the same number.

You may ask, as others have before you, are there any visible evidences of what the men are doing? Our answer will be, not directly, but indirectly, and may we point to two things:

First: The men stood squarely behind the appeal for Lutheran World Action, and the result speaks for itself.

Second: The sixth Objective of the Brotherhood: "Meet the apportionment of the Church in full," was the goal of each Men's organization, and again may we point to the results.

At the Minneapolis Convention, both of the Brotherhood and the U. L. C. A., it was stressed by the leaders, that the man power of the Church is on the march. The Governor of Minnesota, who is a Lutheran made this statement: "He could not see, how a pastor could not afford to have a strong Brotherhood in his congregation, as the men were the backbone of the Church." May we urge those Pastors who have no men's organizations in their congregation, to consider the statement made by this great political leader.

We are happy to report, that at present there are sixteen (16) Brotherhoods in our Synod, and may we express our gratitude to the pastors who so faithfully have stood by their men in these trying times.

I wish to express my personal gratitude to the officers of the Synod for their help in every possible way.

God's blessing upon this convention of our Nebraska Synod, and may we in the days to come, be co-workers in His Kingdom, is the prayer of us, the Men of the Brotherhood.

W. F. KEDDE, President.

The Rev. A. H. Pinkall, President of the Midland Summer Assembly, presented his Report. A motion carried to authorize the Midland Assembly Board to change its Constitution as suggested by Rev. A. H. Pinkall in his report.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE MIDLAND SUMMER ASSEMBLY FOR CHURCH WORKERS

The twenty-second Annual Summer Assembly was held at Fremont on the Midland Campus, August 6-11, 1944, with the following members on the faculty:

The Rev. J. Harold Mumper, D.D., of the Parish and Church School Board; the Rev. Oscar W. Carlson, D.D., Director of Evangelism, Board of Social Missions; the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Lawrence, Kansas; Prof. Richard R. Syre, of Western Seminary, Fremont; and the Rev. Herman S. Keiter, Ph.D., of the Board of Social Missions.

The special speakers included:

Dr. F. C. Wiegman, President of Midland College; Miss Mae Rohlfs, R.N., Missionary to China; Dr. C. B. Harman of Grand Island, Nebraska; Dr. Mumper, Dr. Keiter and Dr. Carlson.

Miss Amanda Jorn had charge of the Youth Assembly; Miss Katrina Umberge, Principal of Konnarock Training School, Konnarock, Virginia, was in charge of devotions at the Women's Missionary Society Convention; Rev. Arthur L. Miller, D.D., pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, lectured at the Monday night prayer service; Mrs. Mildred Lang, Fremont, and Mrs. Adda G. Newsom, Dean of Women, Midland College, reviewed books of missionary interest; and Miss Frances Dysinger, Washington, D. C., represented the Lutheran Inner Mission Society.

The officers elected for the year:

President—Rev. A. H. Pinkall.

Vice-President—Rev. Paul de Freese.

Secretary—Mrs. Oscar Johnston.

Treasurer—Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant.

The meeting for 1945 was scheduled for August 5-10.

The Synod in the Mid-West voted at their Convention in Bloomfield, 1944, in response to an invitation of the Assembly Board, that their Synod would like to be represented on the Midland Assembly Board with one member.

The Midland Assembly Board was also authorized to solicit the auxiliaries of the congregations of Mid-West Synod with the consent of their pastors, for funds to support the Midland Assembly.

Pastor Henry Monnich of Schuyler, Nebraska, was appointed as the representative of Mid-West Synod to the Midland Assembly Board. The Rev. Geo. L. Search of Hays, Kansas, represents the Kansas Synod on the Midland Assembly Board.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. PINKALL, President,
Midland Summer Assembly.

Revision of Midland Summer Assembly Constitution

Article V—The Board of Directors.

Section 1. (2)

I. To read—The Presidents of Evangelical Lutheran Synods of Nebraska, Mid-West and Kansas.

II To read 1—The Presidents of the Women's Missionary Societies of Synods of Nebraska, Midwest and Kansas.

III—The President of Midland College.

Other items under (2) stricken out.

Sister Harriett Franklin, Parish Worker at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, spoke to Synod concerning the Diaconate.

A motion carried to extend the time for the morning session of Synod until 12:30 o'clock.

Nominations were received for membership on the Executive Committee of Synod. Mr. Walter Kuenning, St. Paul's, Auburn, was nominated. A motion carried that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Walter Kuenning for membership on the Executive Committee. Mr. Kuenning was declared elected.

Mr. Marius Christensen, Trinity, Sidney, was nominated for membership on the Executive Committee.

Mr. Wm. Pence, Trinity, Stamford, was nominated for membership on the Executive Committee.

The name of Mr. Marius Christensen was withdrawn.

Mr. A. T. Yost, First, North Platte, was nominated for membership on the Executive Committee.

Mr. H. G. Wellensick, St. Paul's, Grand Island, was nominated for membership on the Executive Committee.

A motion carried that the nominations cease.

The first ballot was taken for the second member to be elected for membership on the Executive Committee.

The first ballot was taken for Historian.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for the second member of the Executive Committee. Mr. A. T. Yost was declared elected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Historian. Dr. G. K. Rubrecht was declared elected.

The Rev. Martin Schroeder, D.D., Field Secretary of the Midwest Synod, spoke to Synod on the work of the rural church.

President J. C. Hershey reported on the conference recently sponsored by the Board of American Missions for investigating rural church work. A discussion followed.

A motion carried that Synod thank Dr. Schroeder for his presentation.

The session adjourned for Conference Meetings. Prayer was offered by Dr. L. H. Lesher, Chaplain of Synod.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 2 P.M. APRIL 11, 1945

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. G. Gieschen.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

The first ballot was taken for Statistician. Rev. R. V. Davis was declared elected.

Rev. Paul Wiegman, Chairman of the Committee on Children of the Church (subcommittee of the Committee on Parish Life and Work, presented his Report.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN OF THE PARISH

(Supplementary to Committee on Parish Life and Work)

This report covers the activity of the Children of the Church in our Synod. We have nothing to report as to the work of the Light Brigades, Cub Scouts, Children's Choirs and Junior Luther Leagues. We insert here the report of our untiring and devoted Nebraska Children of the Church Secretary, Miss Amanda Jorn.

"First, I would like to say—that if we had a good report last year—the Pastors must not blame me but thank God that His Spirit led and guided so it could be accomplished through my feeble efforts. Personally, I think the credit goes to the local congregations where there are consecrated workers who give their time to 'Live with the children.' So few people seem to take to it. It seems to be an unpopular job in the Church (maybe 'unpopular' is the wrong word to express it'). But when asked, why no Children of the Church, the answer seems to be no leaders.

"Also, I'm very thankful for our fine consecrated Children of the Church State Treasurer, Miss Ella Braun, of Grand Island, and her perfect cooperation in the work. She is such a busy person--teaching school, and caring for and making a home for aged parents who are very feeble, I have heard—yet she gives splendid service.

"Second. Though we have about 29 groups on the roll, we hear so seldom from some congregational secretaries that we do not know much about what is being done in their respective Children of the Church groups. But the leaders that do report regularly complain that the attendance is on the decrease. Families seem to be drifting into other interests in these times of stress and strain. But on this, Mrs. Fenner, National Children of the Church Secretary, gave

us a splendid but also an extremely idealistic goal to live up to—'Not to give up, even if only ONE child is reached.' And we all know the promise of Jesus, that He will be in the midst if only two or three are gathered together in His name."

"A wonderful example of this has been brought down to us from a long ago village Church of England, that always dismissed the pastor, if during the previous year he had not succeeded in bringing in at least one new soul into the congregation. This particular pastor had worked very hard but succeeded in bringing in only a poor ragged boy of about 8 years of age. As the members of the Church would not recognize a mere street waif, the pastor was dismissed. And who was this poor lad in later life? He was the great David Livingstone of Africa. May we never, never give up because of small numbers.

"The financial report for the last quarter of 1944 as given by our about half of the listed groups contribute. The state of Nebraska as well as the General or National is unusually large. I hope and pray that these great gifts are not shallow and superficial but that the givers' hearts have been given with them.

"You all know the General report by now—$14,847.46 for 1944. This is an increase of $2,847.46 over the last year's budget. And this is over $240 plus more than last year.

"Our Nebraska Synod offering is $203 for 1944. But on the national records, Nebraska is accredited with $125 since the last quarter's gift of $78 did not get to Philadelphia before their books closed. This is the largest offering Nebraska Children have ever had as far as I was able to trace our records.

"The financial report for the last quarter of 1944 as given by our State Children of the Church Treasurer, Miss Ella J. Braun, is as follows:

Offerings December 1944:

Balance	$ 1.37
Benedict	3.00
Benedict Festival	6.43
Fals City	2.00
Falls City Festival	30.00
Omaha Kountze Memorial	3.00
Omaha Our Redeemer	2.00
Omaha District Festival	22.00
Wayne	9.00
Total Offerings	$ 78.80
Sent in to National Headquarters	$ 78.00
Balance	$ .80

May God be merciful unto us and help us to grow in faith and in grace and in love toward all mankind."

Sincerely submitted,

(Signed) MISS AMANDA JORN, Secretary,
Nebraska Children of the Church.

In the thirteenth chapter of the Book of Judges is the story of a man named Manoah. He and his wife were visited by an angel of the Lord who told them they were going to have a son. Manoah entreated the Lord and said, "Oh, Lord, I pray thee, let the man of God whom thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born."

That prayer surely belongs to us. What are we, the Church, going to do to the children that shall be born?

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL WIEGMAN, Chairman.

Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Chairman of the Committee on Men of the Church presented an oral report.

Rev. H. J. Goede, Chairman of the Committee on Church School presented an oral Report.

Dr. L. H. Lesher, Chairman of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools presented his Report.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA LUTHERAN STUDENT PASTOR'S REPORT

March, 1945

To the Synods of the National Lutheran Council:

Synods of the National Lutheran Council continue to cooperate harmoniously in serving Lutheran students on the campus of the University of Nebraska and the State Agricultural College, Lincoln, Nebraska. This work in general is supervised by the Board of Education of the ULCA and the Student Service Commission of the American Lutheran Conference. On the campus the work is under the direction of the University Lutheran Committee, which includes the Pastors and lay representatives of the local National Lutheran Council Churches. The committee employs the University Pastor, one of the local pastors who devotes part time to ministry to students. The committee meets with him at least once each month during the school year to receive reports, to council with him and in other ways to direct and help further the work among Lutheran students.

The University Lutheran Pastor seeks to contact all National Lutheran Council students personally and by mail, holds regular office hours in the Temple Buiulding on the campus, serves as advisor to the local Lutheran Student Association and meets with the students at their reguluar weekly meetings. He cooperates with other religious workers on the campus in the Council of Religious Welfare and in general represents the Lutheran Church on the University Campus.

During the past school year the enrollment has again been considerably below normal with a total second semester registration of 242 Lutheran students. In normal times there would have been about 550 Lutheran students. In the post-war period this number may become considerably larger. If anticipated enrollments should become a reality and if the proportion of Lutheran students at the University remain about the same, there may be as many as 800 or even 1000 Lutheran students at the University after the war.

It appears self-evident from the above that an expanded program of student service should be planned and undertaken at the University of Nebraska. Under the present arrangement the University Pastor can do only part time work. There is no Lutheran Student Center. The churches are all a mile or more from the campus. It is hoped that in the near future the necessary steps can be taken to serve the student group more adequately.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. HINKHOUSE, University Lutheran Pastor.

The following budget was adopted March 5, 1945, by the Committee for Student Work. Your church body is requested to grant $100.00.

Budget For 1945 and 1946

Request for Grant and Aid:	
Am. Luth. Conference	$300.00
Board of Education (U.L.C.A.)	125.00
Eng. Nebr. Synod (U.L.C.A.)	100.00
Synod of Midwest (U.L.C.A.)	75.00
	$600.00
Anticipated Expenses:	
Salary, Student Pastor	$360.00
Student Reception and Socials	50.00
Advertising	25.00
Printing	30.00
Postage	25.00
Telephone	18.00
Ashram Delegate	20.00
Miscellaneous	72.00
	$600.00

NEB. UNIV. LUTHERAN STUDENT COMMITTEE,
ALVIN M. PETERSEN, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was presented by Rev. W. F. Most.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE MINUTES

Your Committee reports that the Conference Minutes of the North Platte Conference, and the Western Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska have been examined; those of the South Platte Conference are not available.

The North Platte Conference was held at Fremont, Nebraska, on October 25th, 1944, the Rev. W. W. Alexander presiding. This Conference memorialized Synod that at least two hours be devoted to the emphasizing of rural church work. The Conference also memorialized Synod to appoint a Committee to investigate the Federal Council of Churches in Nebraska and report back to this Conference.

The Western Conference convened October 23rd, 1944, at North Platte. This Conference memorialized Synod that at least two hours be given at the Synod Convention to the work of the rural church, as in accordance with the action of the U.L.C.A. Convention in Minneapolis.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL DE FREESE,
W. F. MOST,
FRED MOELLER.

A motion carried to send a message of greeting to the Kansas Synod now in session at Christ Church, Eureka, Kansas, Rev. R. E. Gaston, Pastor.

Rev. F. W. Henkel, Chairman of the Committee on President's Report presented his Report. A motion carried that the recommendations be considered seriatim. 1. Adopted. 2. Adopted.

3. A motion carried that this recommendation be amended to include the Diaconate. A motion carried that the recommendation be adopted as amended. A motion carried to adopt the Report as a whole.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee appreciates the effort put forth by our President to meet the ever constant demands of the pastors and congregations in the Synod. The personal interest shown gives both congregation and pastor inspiration, with God's help, to make the strides forward evidenced in his Reports.

The Committee recommends that the Synod at this session give the President a rising vote of thanks.

The Committee is in perfect accord with the three recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. HENKEL,
O. L. STURTEVANT,
J. ERNEST MESSER.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Inasmuch as the war continues and will continue for some time to come with its devastation of lives and property and the opposition to all that is good in the world, and inasmuch as it has brought sorrow to many homes, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we, with humble and sincere hearts, call upon our people to meet with God daily in the reading of His Word and in prayer, and petition Him to over-rule all the destructive forces in the world and to turn these destructive forces into channels for peace and good will toward all men.

And FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED:

2. That as we are contributing billions for implements for destruction let us contribute cheerfully and generously toward those agencies through which God works, the apportioned benevolence, the Lutheran World Action, Christian Higher Education, and the institions of mercy.

And FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED:

3. That pastors hold special seasons of prayer with parents who have prospective sons for the ministry, that the hearts of these sons may be filled with loving service through the Gospel ministry; and that likewise special seasons of prayer be held with parents who have prospective daughters for the Diaconate, that the hearts of these daughters may be filled with loving service through the Diaconate.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. HERSHEY.

The following Officers were installed by the President: Vice-President, Dr. C. B. Harman; Secretary, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt; Treasurer, F. E. Wood; Statistician, Rev. R. V. Davis; Historian, Dr. G. K. Rubrecht.

Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution presented his Report. A motion carried to adopt the amendment referred to this meeting of Synod by the 1944 Annual Convention. (Minutes of Synod, 1944, page 43.) "That they shall examine all candidates for Ordination and Licensure on their personal doctrinal beliefs, on their intent and purpose as well as personal piety and why they feel they have been called to the Holy Ministry. There shall be no academic examination for those who come before the Committee for Licensure or Ordination but the Theological Seminaries shall furnish the grades and attainments of the Theological students for the consideration of the Examining Committee."

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

WHEREAS the Constitution of Synod includes among the items disqualifying an applicant for financial aid from Synod the stipulation that he shall not marry and that he shall abstain from the use of tobacco (Art. IX, Sec. 2, D, c); and

WHEREAS no such restrictions apply to those who enter our College or Seminary already married; and

WHEREAS a considerable number of pastors in Synod do not consider the use of tobacco an immoral or disqualifying act; and

WHEREAS the strictures on the use of tobacco tend to produce hypocrisy and are generally unenforceable:

BE IT RESOLVED that we respectfully request that Synod amend the Constitution in Art. IX, Sec. 2, D, c, by deleting the words: . . . . "not marry and they shall" . . . . "tobacco and" . . . . , so that the second sentence in this paragraph shall read: "During their course of study, and while receiving aid from Synod, Beneficiaries shall abstain from all use of intoxicating beverages and narcotics."

G. GIESCHEN,
W. C. HEIDENREICH,
R. V. DAVIS,
H. DUMLER,
HERMAN JOENS,
R. R. PFEIFFER,
A. H. PINKALL.

The Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges was presented by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHARGES

Your Committee received the formal application including the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution of Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church of Bellevue, Nebraska, for Membership in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

We have examined the aforementioned documents, find that the congregation is duly organized and incorporated and has adopted the Form of Constitution and By-Laws recommended by the United Lutheran Church in America for Evangelical Lutheran Congregations in Constituent Synods.

We recommend that the congregation be received into membership into the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska at this time.

J. ERNEST MESSER,
H. J. GOEDE,
G. KELLER RUBRECHT, Chairman.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions presented his Report. A motion carried to consider the Resolutions seriatim. 1. Adopted. 2. Tabled. 3. Amended to read $15. Adopted as amended. 4. Adopted. A motion carried to adopt the Report as a whole as amended.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Committee on Resolutions submits the following resolutions for your approval:

1. RESOLVED, that we express our appreciation to the Pastor and Congregation of Kountze Memorial Church for their hospitality extended to Synod during this Convention, and that the pastor loci be asked to read this resolution at the Services next Sunday.

2. RESOLVED, that our Synod heartily grant the privilege to the Superintendent of Tabitha Home to present to our Congregations the need for a Home for Crippled Children, with the possibility in mind of the Tabitha Board establishing such a Home as a phase of Tabitha's field of service, provided no appeal for funds be made at the present time.

3. RESOLVED, that Synod allow $15.00 to the entertaining church for janitor services.

4. RESOLVED, that Synod express its appreciation to Dr. Armin Weng, Ph.D., the representative from the U.L.C.A. for his inspiration and helpfulness during this Convention of Synod.

W. C. HEIDENREICH, Chairman,
MRS. LAD J. SKOCPOL,
C. P. HARMAN.

Rev. Ralph W. Livers, D.D., Pastor of St. John's English Lutheran Church, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Vice-President of the Iowa Synod, was introduced to Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was presented by Rev. Harry Mumm. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The following are excused:

1. Rev. Arthur Freeberg, from all sessions Wednesday.
2. Rev. George H. Hartwig, from all sessions.
3. Rev. W. I. Guss, D.D., from all sessions.
4. Mr. C. G. Eerquist (St. Marks, Oshkosh), from all sessions.
5. Mr. H. Tilgner (Grace, Lewellen), from all sessions.
6. Rev. O. D. Baltzly, D.D., from all sessions.
7. Rev. Herman Joens (Dakota City), Wednesday afternoon.
8. Mr. Roy Bartels (Salem, Dakota City), Wednesday morning.
9. Mr. Wm. J. Hendy (North Platte), from all sessions.
10. Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, Monday afternoon (if excuse required).
11. Mr. Philip Glock (Rising City), Tuesday forenoon.
12. Mr. Fred Moeller (Grand Island), all sessions Wednesday.
13. Mr. Lubschwager (Columbus), all sessions.
14. Mr. Otto Heuer (Columbus), all sessions.
15. Mr. Marius Christensen (Sidney), all sessions.
16. Rev. Delo, part time (when not present).
17. Mr. W. R. Kleman (Beatrice), all sessions.
18. Rev. Henkel (Auburn), all sessions Wednesday.
19. Chaplains and Missionaries.

COMMITTEE:
REV. HARRY MUMM,
REV. H. JOENS,
MR. FEGLEY (West Point).

Invitations for the next meeting of Synod were extended by Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska, and First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska.

The first ballot was taken for the place of the next meeting of Synod.

A motion carried to authorize the Executive Committee to appoint a Special Committee to prepare for the observance of the 75th Anniversary of Synod.

President J. C. Hershey, Synodical Missionary Superintendent, presented his Report.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

The officers of this Committee are Mr. Otto Nelson, president; Rev. J. C. Hershey, secretary, and Rev. A. H. Pinkall, treasurer.

The Committee met four times during the year and submit the following report:

BROADWATER was organized in 1934. This mission has been vacant since the resignation of Rev. E. F. Rohlfing, January 1, 1943. Raymond Bartels, a senior in the Seminary, has been supplying this congregation every other week during the past two years. The attendance has been good and the organizations are well attended. Offerings are the best ever and a building fund has been started.

COLUMBUS was organized in 1931. Rev. John Shiery became the pastor of this mission June 1, 1944. The congregation is responding in a remarkable way in attendance and in contributions. It paid the apportioned benevolence in full for the first time and almost reached its quota for Lutheran World Action. It paid $415.00 on its indebtedness.

LUTHER MEMORIAL, OMAHA, was organized in 1936. Rev. W. F. Most became the supply pastor in February, 1943, and was called to become the regular pastor May 1, 1943. The communing membership increased 66% in 1944. The congregation went over the top in its contribution toward Lutheran World Action, paid 213% on its apportioned benevolence, and reduced its indebtedness $1,222. This is real progress.

SCRIBNER was organized in 1935. Rev. R. V. Davis has been the pastor since 1941. This congregation has purchased the store building in which it has been worshiping for the past five years. The cost was $2,250 and is now paid for. Two years ago the congregation purchased two lots with an eleven room house. This is also paid for and it is on these lots the new church will be erected when war emergencies are over. The communing membership is now 170.

SPENCER was organized in 1930. This mission is being supplied every other Sunday from the seminary. It is isolated from other ULCA congregations and needs special care. The field is large and should become a self-supporting congregation under proper leadership. The communing membership is 87. The church building lacks Sunday School facilities. A fund is being developed for excavating a basement. The parsonage is small and in fair condition.

BELLEVUE was organized in October, 1944. This is our youngest mission. It was turned over to us by the National Lutheran Council. Rev. P. O. Anderson, a senior in the Seminary, is supplying every Sunday and will become the regular pastor, June 1. It was organized with 43 members and now has 63 with 15 prospects to unite with the congregation soon. The cost of the basement chapel was $3,037. The congregation has paid $1,000 on this indebtedness.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Period February 29, 1944—February 23, 1945
Depository—Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha

Receipts

Balance on hand February 29, 1944	$ 999.69	
Rec'd from Ev. Luth. Synod of Nebraska	1408.00	
Rec'd from Board of American Missions for supply work at Broadwater & Bellevue	370.00	
Total Receipts plus Balance		$2777.69

Disbursements

Salary to Rev. J. C. Hershey, D.D., Missionary Sup't	$ 300.00
Salary to Rev. W. F. Most (Luther Memorial)	541.80

Salary to Raymond Bartels (Broadwater)	240.00	
Salary to Rev. John Shiery (Columbus)	309.85	
For supply work at Bellevue Mission	537.50	
Travel expense and meals for Committee	67.05	
Bonding of Treasurer, Rev. A. H. Pinkall	5.00	
Total Disbursements		$2001.20
Balance on hand February 28, 1945		$ 776.49

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. PINKALL, Treasurer.

Omaha, Nebraska, March 16, 1945.

To the Missionary Committee,
Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

This is to certify that the books of your Treasurer have been audited by me this 16th day of March, 1945, and found correct.

Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Nebraska, is	$998.14
(5) Outstanding checks Nos. 72-73-74-75 & 76	221.65
Balance on hand as of February 28th, 1945	$776.49

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. GAMERL, Auditing Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Protocol was presented by Rev. K. Gigstad. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

Your Committee has compared the Protocol with the Printed Minutes and wish to report the following discrepancy: In Section one (1) of the Budget the item of $1500 for missions appears in the Protocol, but does not appear in the Printed Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL DE FREESE,
KARL GIGSTAD,
JOHN B. RUPLEY, JR.,
Protocol Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Your Committee met, September 15, 1944, at Fremont, with all members present except Mr. Rodenbrock. Prayerful and detailed consideration was given to the responsibilities faced with the result that detailed suggestions were adopted for pastors and congregations to use in planning for their EMV and increased efficiency in bringing the cause of Christ to His people. This program was printed in detail in the Fall issue of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran, including suggested sermon theme and texts.

Your Committee rejoices in the improved financial condition of both our Synod and the individual congregations. It is encour-

aging to note that 64% of the Synodical Budget was received in 1944. This is a new high and shows that Nebraska congregations are recognizing their responsibilities to the whole program of the whole church, more fully. Your Committee believes each pastor and church council should continue to pray and plan for conscientious presentation of the whole cause of Christian Stewardship. Your Committee believes that our Synod should endeavor to get in the 100% column in the payment of her apportioned share to the benevolence needs of the United Lutheran Church in America. Therefore we again appeal to each congregation to accept its Synodical and national and world responsibilities with utmost sincerity and to use every Christian means to discharge them fully.

Respectfully submitted,
LELAND H. LESHER, for the Committee.

Dr. J. C. Hershey, Editor of the Synodical Paper, presented his Report. A motion carried that the Report be adopted.

THE NEBRASKA SYNOD LUTHERAN

Three issues of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran of 6,400 copies each at a cost of $224.28 were published during the year.

We recommend that the Nebraska Synod Lutheran be continued and that an appropriation of $350.00 be allowed to cover the cost of printing and mailing.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. HERSHEY.

Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., presented the Report of the Trustees of Midland College. A motion carried to consider the recommendations seriatim. 1. Adopted. 2. A motion carried that recommendation 2 be amended to specify 75% for Midland College and 25% for Western Seminary. 3. Adopted. 4. Adopted. A motion carried to adopt the recommendations as a whole as amended.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE AND WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

For the Fiscal Year 1943-44

By the grace of God and the cooperation of friends and the church, Midland College and Western Theological Seminary have enjoyed a forward-moving year. The appended record cannot relate the sacrifices of faculty, prayers of people, good offices of many friends, nor the guidance of the Father. They are written in God's own book.

Officers of the corporation for 1943-44: President, Henry A. Gunderson of Fremont; Vice-President, Alfred J. Beil of Lawrence, Kansas; Secretary, A. B. Lentz of Louisville, Nebraska; Treasurer, Leah L. Williams of Fremont.

Officers of the College: President, Fred C. Wiegman; Dean, Herman Gimmestad; Treasurer, Leah Williams; and Business Manager, F. E. Wood. Dean of the Seminary is Thomas D. Rinde.

The combined balance sheet shows the following assets:

Cash in all funds	$ 16,330.01
Student notes receivable	1,008.51

Temporary investments	224.00
Inventories	3,319.95
Expense deferred	1,211.65
Secured loans	45,180.02
Securities	45,071.68
Real Estate holdings	67,587.99
Campuses	390,814.41
Rental property	8,400.00
Unsecured loans	427.54
Land contracts	533.25
	$580,109.01

Liabilities are:

Notes payable	$ 12,045.00
Accounts payable	1,691.16
Accrued payroll	2,308.28
Student deposits	636.56
Seminary special funds	1,902.93
Withholding tax	408.85
Endowment	174,779.67
Mortgage	62,674.88
Receipts deferred	767.08
	$257,214.41
Net worth	$322,894.60

The income for the year is:

Tuition and fees	$ 33,063.32
Endowment income	7,580.38
Gifts and grants	48,051.34
Sales and services	505.61
Other sources	1,225.49
Auxiliary enterprises	34,262.08
Total income	$124,688.22

The expenses are:

Administration	$ 25,247.71
Instruction	53,987.81
Library	3,342.19
Services	75.15
Operation of plant	10,481.14
Audit	160.00
Interest	3,417.06
Taxes	6.92
Auxiliary enterprises	27,793.53
Miscellaneous	53.02
Total expense	$124,564.53
Net operating gain	$ 123.69

The showing for Western Theological Seminary by separating its particular figures from the above is:

Assets:

Cash in special funds	$ 1,052.25
Grounds, buildings and equipment	23,045.16

Investments	37,265.28
Liabilities:	
Special funds:	
Scholarship funds	5,000.00
Specific endowments	3,145.00
General seminary endowments	29,120.28
Income:	
Interest on endowment funds	1,432.72
Board of Education grant	200.00
Synod apportionments	1,157.56
Special subscriptions	144.94
Allocation from general fund	6,484.26
Student fees	538.50
Special for remodeling	1,261.63
Special for library	182.00
Total income	$ 11,401.61
Expense:	
General administration	1,152.68
Instruction	7,344.17
Library	212.07
Operation and maintenance of plant	2,692.69
Total expense	$ 11,401.61

The enrollment for the past five years:

	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
Regular	357	456	436	438	203
Summer	187	161	171	206	255
Total	544	617	607	644	458

The College and Seminary are in a healthy condition, with increasing recognition from students, educators and churchmen.

The Forward Midland Campaign had, on March 1, 1945, brought in $12,000 with less than one-tenth of the congregations yet under way with their canvasses. The only expense connected with the campaign is a small salary for the secretary-treasurer, limited outlay for publicity and postage, and the allocation of part of the president's salary.

We report with regret the resignations of President Wiegman and Professor Goodbrod, the former to answer a call to the pastorate of Trinity Lutheran Church, Akron, Ohio, effective June 1, 1945, and the latter to accept a teaching position at Colorado State Teachers College, Greeley, Colorado, effective February 1, 1945. To succeed Prof. Goodbrod, Prof. Wayne Richards has joined the faculty. No successor to President Wiegman has yet been selected.

Recommendations

1. That the Forward Midland Campaign be continued until every congregation has completed its solicitation.

2. That Synod guarantee the payment from its budget of $1 per communing member, to be divided as follows: 75% to Midland College and 25% to Western Seminary.

3. That Midland College and Western Theological Seminary be commended for their splendid service to the church and that we pledge them our continued prayers, support and Christian co-operation.

4. That we note with regret the departure of President Fred C. Wiegman and Professor Rupert Goodbrod and that we pray God's blessing upon their labors in new fields of service.

Dr. F. C. Wiegman, President of Midland College, spoke to Synod presenting the work of that institution. Dr. Wiegman then introduced to Synod Dr. William P. Hieronymus, Assistant to the President, and Dr. Walter F. Beck, Professor of History.

President J. C. Hershey presented the Report of Delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Report of the Merger Committee and also the Report of the Luther League.

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE U.L.C.A. CONVENTION

The Fourteenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 11-17, 1944. By courtesy of the Norwegian Lutheran Church all sessions of the Convention were held in the Central Lutheran Church, belonging to that body.

The roll of the convention showed an attendance of 554 delegates out of 559 elected, representing all of the thirty-two constituent synods and two associate synods.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska was represented by a full delegation of the regularly elected delegates.

As a summary of all business transacted is published in the 1945 Year Book and a complete report will appear in the minutes of the Convention of which every pastor will receive a copy, it is not necessary to report these matters in detail except as they are included in other reports to this convention.

Respectfully yours,

J. C. HERSHEY.

MERGER COMMITTEE

The Merger Committee has had no occasion for meeting during the year. Therefore, no meeting was held. We believe the desire for merging with other Lutheran bodies is growing and for that reason the committee should be continued.

We recommend that the Merger Committee be continued.

Respectfully yours,

J. C. HERSHEY, Chairman.

REPORT ON LUTHER LEAGUE

In a business meeting held at Camp Strader, Crete, Nebraska, in August of last year, the Luther League of Nebraska elected as their state officers for the year 1944-45:

President—Paul Kuenning, Midland College.

First Vice-President—Eldon Johnson, Davenport.
Second Vice-President—Carol Munson, 321 Park Avenue, Omaha.
Third Vice-President—Bernard Petersen, 6235 Florence Blvd., Omaha.
Corresponding Secretary—Jay Pilch, Midland College.
Recording Secretary—Marjorie Dye, 2346 North 63rd, Omaha.
Treasurer—Peggy Carr, 4322 North 33rd, Omaha.

The following secretaries were appointed:

Educational Secretary—Carol Munson.
Life Service Secretary—Rev. Henkel, Auburn
Missionary Secretary—Bernard Petersen.
Intermediate—Eldora Volker, Auburn.

Committee chairmen appointed were:

Publicity—Beth Snyder, Fremont.
Sustaining Membership—Eldon Johnson.
Extension—Rev. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah.

During the camp session last August it was decided that the Luther League would have, as a project to be completed this year, the purchasing of five large signs to be placed on each highway entering Fremont, advertising Midland College. In a meeting held late in November of last year, the executive committee of the Luther League of Nebraska decided to set aside the month of June as the month in which the money for the completion of the project is to be raised. Plans for this month are being made. The project calls for a sum total of $800 to be raised by the various leagues during this month.

At this executive meeting, which was held at Luther Memorial Church in Omaha (Rev. Most, pastor), St. John's Luther League of Leigh, Nebraska, was given membership in the Luther League of Nebraska. At this same meeting a budget was also drawn up and accepted.

Youth Day, or Luther League Day, was observed throughout the nation by the Luther League of America on September 17. Missionary Day was celebrated in January and plans are now being made for Life Service Day, which will be observed on May 6.

Plans for this year's Luther League camp will be arranged at the next executive meeting to be held sometime in April. The 50th anniversary year of the Luther League of America appeal for $25,000 has been set for the building of a better Youth Organization from April 8th to 30th.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for the place of the next Synodical meeting. First Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, Nebraska, was declared as having been selected.

Nominations were received for lay member of the Board of Trustees of Midland College. Mr. S. A. Wassum, Emmanuel, Tekamah, Nebraska, and Mr. A. E. Hecker, Grace, Hooper, Nebraska, were nominated. A motion carried that the nominations cease.

The first ballot was taken for clerical and lay members of the Midland College Board of Trustees.

The Budget for 1946 was presented for consideration. A motion carried authorizing the Executive Committee to provide any emergency funds needed by the Committee on Ministerial Education. A motion carried that the Budget be adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Recommendations

The Executive Committee recommends the following budget for the year 1946.

Section 1. Fixed Items

Salaries	$ 3,250.00
Midland College	9,609.00
Western Seminary	3,203.00
President's Travel Expense	700.00
Missions	2,000.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Beneficiary Education (Emergency Fund)	641.00
Synodical Paper	350.00
General Expense Fund	350.00
Printing	300.00
Student Work at the University of Nebraska	100.00
Young People's Camps	75.00
Auditor's Fees	25.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150.00
Total	$21,263.00

Section 2. The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$37,650.00
Tabitha Home	7,352.00
Total	$45,002.00
Grand Total	$66,265.00

In accordance with the budget adopted by Synod, the Apportionment for 1946, based upon a Communing Membership of 12,813 is as follows ($5.17 per Communing Member):

Allen	$ 476	Ericson	83
Auburn	1,649	Falls City	2,616
Beatrice	631	Fremont	2,587
Benedict	533	Grand Island	5,666
Bellevue	300	Gurley	476
Broadwater	403	Hampton	331
Columbus	352	Hardy	326
Dakota City, Emmanuel	31	Hildreth	465
Dakota City, Salem	677	Homer	832
Dalton	470	Hooper	1,184
Davenport	1,230	Hubbard	310
Eagle	217	Leigh	858
Emerson	1,375	Lewellen	315

Lincoln	2,921	Sidney	843
McCool Junction	672	Snyder	269
Nebraska City	879	South Sioux City	1,592
North Platte	2,849	Spencer	450
Omaha, First	1,148	Stamford	496
Omaha, Grace	972	Stella	134
Omaha, K. M.	12,165	Sutherland	88
Omaha, L. M.	776	Tekamah	626
Omaha, Redeemer	1,928	Vacoma	310
Omaha, St. Luke's	2,900	Verdon	517
Omaha, St. Mark's	595	Walton	445
Oshkosh	216	Wayne	1,324
Paxton	776	West Point	1,897
Ponca	1,029	Wilber	352
Potter	181	Wolbach	429
Rising City	620	York	574
Scribner	879		

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical and lay members of the Midland College Board of Trustees. Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., and Mr. S. A. Wassum were declared elected.

A motion carried to dispense with the roll call and final reading of the minutes and to refer any unfinished business to the Executive Committee of Synod for action.

These minutes are certified to be the correct record of the proceedings of the 73rd Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, convening April 9-11, 1945, in Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska, the Rev. Walter H. Traub, D.D., LL.D., Pastor.

J. C. HERSHEY, President,
T. J. C. SCHULDT, Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1944	Language Used in Worship Service	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Dixon	†	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	230		22	206		10	92		10	1
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Nemaha	††	Henkel, F. W.	"	695	26		458	12		319		7	2
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Gage	*	Shiery, Geo.	"	202		72	148	5		123			3
*4	Bellevue	Immanuel	1945	24th and Franklin Sts.	Sarpy	††	Anderson, P. O.	"	111	111		58	58		58	58		4*
5	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	York	†	Gigstad, Karl	"	303	5		211	9		103	3		5
6	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Morrill	†	Bartels, Raymond (Supply)	"	300	13		203	9		78	37		6
7	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Platte	††	Shiery, John	"	107		74	77		43	68	4		7
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Dakota	†	Vacant	"	20			18			6			8
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	3 mi. west of Dakota City	Dakota	†	Joens, H.	"	352	4		242	1		131		4	9
10	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Cheyenne	†	Vacant	"	188	1		134		2	91		9	10
11	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Thayer	†	Dumler, H.	"	597		1	349	1		238	13		11
12	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Cass	†	Vacant	"	89		2	68		1	42			12
13	Emerson	St. Lukes	1911	Emerson	Dixon	^	Pfeiffer, R. R.	"	854	48		522	32		260	10		13
*14	Ericson	First	1898	Ericson		†	Vacant	"	47			27			16			14*
15	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Richardson	††	Cordts, H. C.	D & G	946	24		686	18		506	2		15
16	Fremont	Salem	1902	E. Military Ave. & C St.	Dodge	*	Frank, A. O.	Eng.	986	92		724	77		509		61	16
17	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 W. 2nd St.	Hall	*	Rupley, J. B.	"	2,526	137		1,688	79		1,096	59		17
18	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Cheyenne	†	Vacant	"	213		1	136		3	92		32	18
19	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Hamilton	†	Gigstad, Karl	"	135	5		101	1		64	5		19
20	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Nuckolls	†	Rupley, K. (Supply)	"	148	2		95		1	63		9	20
21	Hildreth	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	Franklin	†	Switzer, E.	"	246	5		203	1		90	1		21
*22	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Dakota	‡	Vacant	"	372			313			161			22*
23	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Dodge	‡	de Freese, Paul	"	402		91	273		82	229	22		23
*24	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Dakota	†	Vacant	"	203			162			69			24*
25	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Colfax	‡	Mumm, Harry	E. & G.	399	12		238	9		166	5		25
26	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Garden	‡	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	211		11	101		13	61		3	26
27	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lancaster	**	Lesher, L. H.	"	959	53		822	46		565	51		27
28	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	York	†	Rupley, J. B., Jr.	"	252	39		169	24		130	18		28
29	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Otoe	††	Vacant	"	363	19		228	5		170	9		29
30	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Lincoln	*	Rubrecht, G. K.	"	1,189		3	939	8		551		1	30
31	Omaha	First	1907	2547 N. 62nd St.	Douglas	‡‡	Young, A. W.	"	588	69		349	48		222	12		31
32	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 S. 26th St.	Douglas	‡‡	Goede, H. J.	"	399	31		256	16		188		10	32
33	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Douglas	‡‡	Traub, W. H.	"	6,429	29		4,730	23		2,353	155		33
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Most, W. F.	"	245	52		176	40		150	50		34
35	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Geischen, G.	"	1,325	39		927	16		373	14		35
36	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Pinkall, A. H.	"	1,264	25		869	17		561		8	36
37	Omah	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	Douglas	‡‡	Vacant	"	520	3		298		3	115		9	37
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Garden	‡	Heidenreich, W. C.	"	169		64	113		26	42		4	38
39	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Keith	‡	Mortensen, E. C.	"	446	19		318	9		150	26		39
40	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	Dixon	‡	Vacant	"	484			364			199		24	40
41	Potter	First	1892	Potter	Cheyenne	†	Rummel, K.	"	94	26		68	18		35	9		41
42	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City	Butler	†	Shirck, Robert	"	283	4		197		1	139		52	42
43	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner	Dodge	‡	Davis, R. V.	"	392	16		260	10		170	5		43
44	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Cheyenne	††	Kabse, W. J.	"	457	25		232	21		163	21		44
45	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder	Dodge	†	Davis, R. V.	"	120		1	90		1	52		8	45
46	So. Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts.	Dakota	††	Messer, J. E.	"	988	72		575	50		309	33		46
47	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer	Boyd	‡	Vacant	"	303	3		168		2	87			47
48	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford	Harlan	†	Olson, Carl	"	161		89	130		66	96		44	48
49	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella	Richardson	†	Miller, J. C.	"	68	3		42			24	1		49
50	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland	Lincoln	‡	Mortensen, E. C.	"	87		1	45		1	17		3	50
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts.	Burt	†	Wiegman, P.	"	264	9		182	30		121	23		51
52	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Washington	†	Wiegman, P.	"	110	1		78			60	5		52
53	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3½ mi. southwest of Verdon	Richardson	†	Miller, J. C.	"	264		2	200		1	160		14	53
*54	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton	Lancaster	†	Vacant	"	209			172			96			54*
55	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne	Wayne	††	Schuldt, T. J. C.	"	700	1		516	5		256		67	55
56	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point	Cuming	††	Klink, W. A.	"	598	10		369	14		367	20		56
57	Wilber	First	1889	Wilbur	Saline	‡	Vacant	"	338	19		173	4		49		11	57
58	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach	Greeley	‡	Harman, C. B. (Supply)	"	354	25		229	5		83	6		58
59	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave.	York	††	Rupley, John	"	324	16		199	16		111			59
							Total 1944		31,622	1093	434	21,917	721	256	12,813	680	370	1944
							Totals 1943		30,965	923	719	21,436	706	634	12,503	664	434	1943
							Increase		659			481			310			

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† Under 500
‡ 500 to 2,499
†† 2,500 to 9,999
* 10,000 to 24,999
** 25,000 to 99,999
‡‡ 100,000 or over

*Figures taken from a previous report; no new report having been received

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MEMBERSHIP

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	CHILD MEMBERS — Accessions: By Baptism	By Certificate	Total	Losses: Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	By Dismissal	Total	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	ADULT MEMBERS — Accessions: By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	Losses: By Death	By Certificate	By Dismissal	Total
1	Allen—First	230	206	92	10		10	6		4	12	22		12	3	6			9	3	5	11	19
2	Auburn—St. Paul's	695	458	319	19	5	24	7	1	2		10	14		3	12	8		23	2	9		11
3	Beatrice—Trinity	202	148	122	3	4	7	3			81	84		77			9		9	3	1		4
•4	Bellevue—Immanuel	111	58	58		53	53						53		4	7	47		58				
5	Benedict—Zion	303	211	103	3	1	4	8				8		4	1	9	3		13	1	3		4
6	Broadwater—United	300	203	78	7		7	3				3	4			8	1		9				
7	Columbus—United	107	77	68	6		6				37	37		31		6	4		10	1	10	42	53
8	Dakota City—Emmanuel	20	18	6																			
9	Dakota City—Salem	352	242	131	5	2	7	4				4	3			5	3		8	3	4		7
10	Dalton—Trinity	188	134	91	4		4				1	1	3								2		2
11	Davenport—Christ's	597	349	238	6	1	7	3		6		9		2	1	4	4		9	1	7		8
12	Eagle—Trinity	89	68	42					1			1		1						1			1
13	Emerson—St. Luke's	854	522	266	31	1	32	12	2	2		16	16		9	22	9	4	44	6	6		12
‡14	Ericson—First	47	27	16																			
15	Falls City—St. Paul's	946	686	506	22	10	32	18			8	26	6		2	18	17		37	11		8	19
16	Fremont—Salem	986	724	500	30	20	50	15	10		10	35	15		4	15	17	73	109	12	20		32
17	Grand Island—St. Paul's	2526	1688	1096	70	10	80	18	1		3	22	58		17	60	22	8	107	10	14	4	28
18	Gurley—Grace	213	136	92	2		2						2								3		3
19	Hampton—Emmanuel	135	101	64	3	1	4						4				2		2			1	1
20	Hardy—St. Paul's	148	95	63	3		3						3					2	2	2	1		3
21	Hildreth—St. Paul's	246	203	90	4		4						4			2	1		3	2			2
‡22	Homer—St. Paul's	372	313	161																			
23	Hooper—Grace	402	273	229	10		10						10		3	17	5		25	3	7	117	127
‡24	Hubbard—Trinity	203	162	60																			
25	Leigh—St. John's	399	238	166	8	4	12	8		1		9	3			8	13		21	3	9		12
26	Lewellen—Grace	211	101	61	4		4	2				2	2			4			4		2	15	17
27	Lincoln—Grace	959	822	565	20	10	30	14	1	8		23	7		6	23	53		82	6	20	10	36
28	McCool Junction—First	252	169	130	13	3	16			1		1	15		3	8	17		28	2	2		4
29	Nebraska City—First	363	228	170	17		17		3			3	14		5	6		6	17	12			12
30	North Platte—First	1189	939	551	20	8	28	14	3	6	16	39		11	12	22	20	5	59	9	23	19	51
31	Omaha—First	588	349	222	18	8	26	5				5	21		8	26	24	8	66	3	5	10	18
32	Omaha—Grace	399	256	188	20	5	25	9	1			10	15		1	12	4		17		1		1
33	Omaha—Kountze Memorial	6429	4730	2353	109	75	184	84	4	90		178	6		27	114	64	52	257	39	70	125	234
34	Omaha—Luther Memorial	245	176	150	9	10	19	7				7	12		2	12	20	13	47		7		7
35	Omaha—Redeemer	1325	927	373	29	8	37	5		3		8	29		3	14	10	9	36	9	10	7	26
36	Omaha—St. Luke's	1264	869	561	38	5	43	22		2	11	35	8		7	35	13	5	60	6	11	26	43
37	Omaha—St. Mark's	520	298	115	6		6						6		2				2	1		4	5
38	Oshkosh—St. Mark's	169	113	42	2		2	1			45	46		44		2			2			22	22
39	Paxton—Trinity	440	318	150	18		18	5		3		8	10		2	7	3		12		1	2	3
40	Ponca—Salem	484	364	199																			
41	Potter—First	94	68	35	3	5	8						8		1	6	5	6	18				
42	Rising City—First	283	197	120	11		11	4		2		6	5							1			1
43	Scribner—United	392	260	170	8		8	2				2	6		2	5	4		11	1			1
44	Sidney—Trinity	457	232	163	11	2	13	5		4		9	4		3	9	19		31	5	5		10
45	Snyder—Immanuel	120	90	52																			
46	So. Sioux City—First	988	575	308	27	5	32	8		2		10	22		5	29	20	8	62		2	10	12
47	Spencer—United	303	168	87	5		5						5								2		2
48	Stamford—Trinity	161	130	96	1		1				24	24		23						6		60	66
49	Stella—Trinity	68	42	26	3		3						3										
50	Sutherland—Grace	87	45	17																1			1
51	Tekamah—Emmanuel	264	182	121	16	6	22	11	1		31	43		21	1	12	9	11	33	2	1		3
52	Vacoma—St. John's	110	78	60	4		4	2		1		3	1			2			2		2		2
53	Verdon—St. Mark's	264	200	100	7		7	4		4		8		1		5			5		6		6
‡54	Walton—Grace	209	172	86																			
55	Wayne—St. Paul's	700	510	256	6		6	8	2			10		4		8			8	1	1	1	3
56	West Point—Grace	598	369	367	18	3	21	18	2	3	2	25		4	8	18			26	2	8	2	12
57	Wilber—First	338	173	68	15		15						15		1	3			4				
58	Wolbach—Trinity	354	229	83	20		20						20		2		1	7	10	3	2		5
59	York—First	324	198	111	6		6	5	1			6			1	11	7		19	1	2		3
1944		31622	21917	12813	730	265	995	340	33	144	281	798	432	235	149	592	458	217	1416	173	278	484	935
1943		30963	21436	12503	730	271	1001	411	16	157	285	869	347	215	162	656	610	178	1606	169	365	1000	1534
Inc.		659	481	310					17				85	20				39		5			
Dec.						6	6	71		13	4	71			13	64	152		190		87	516	599

EDUCATION

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE	PARISH — Sunday Schools: Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Weekday Schools: Number	Teachers	Pupils	Children of Church: Leaders	Pupils	Number of Catechumens	HIGHER: In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Motherhouses	In Other Luth. Insts.	In Non-Luth. Insts.	Index Number
1	Allen—First	1	14	75		28				4	24						1
2	Auburn—St. Paul's	1	27	144	7	30						24			4	3	2
3	Beatrice—Trinity	1	15	66		10	1	1	6			8				3	3
•4	Bellevue—Immanuel	1	10	57		23	1	5	50								4*
5	Benedict—Zion	1	20	90	4	15	1	2	25			15					5
6	Broadwater—United	1	9	52		8						10			1	1	6
7	Columbus—United	1	7	43		8	1	1	26			8					7
8	Dakota City—Emmanuel	1	5	18													8
9	Dakota City—Salem	1	18	68		22	1	10	48			5				3	9
10	Dalton—Trinity	1	4	20									1				10
11	Davenport—Christ's	1	35	155	4	25				6	50	12			1	2	11
12	Eagle—Trinity														1		12
13	Emerson—St. Luke's	1	22	89		52						39					13
‡14	Ericson—First																14‡
15	Falls City—St. Paul's	1	15	187		56				3	26	28			2	6	15
16	Fremont—Salem	1	40	250		25				8	99	25			3	3	16
17	Grand Island—St. Paul's	1	40	347		98						96	1			7	17
18	Gurley—Grace	1	13	93	10	32											18
19	Hampton—Emmanuel	1	9	48		8	1	6	39			2				1	19
20	Hardy—St. Paul's	1	12	96		25						7			1	3	20
21	Hildreth—St. Paul's	1	6	52		5						9			1		21
‡22	Homer—St. Paul's	1	13	65		30											22‡
23	Hooper—Grace	1	15	90		26	1	8	81			10			2	6	23
‡24	Hubbard—Trinity																24‡
25	Leigh—St. John's	1	9	62		26						34				1	25
26	Lewellen—Grace	1	12	61								4				1	26
27	Lincoln—Grace	1	39	271		42	1	8	69	7	58	59			1	10	27
28	McCool Junction—First	1	6	50			1	1	6			10				1	28
29	Nebraska City—First	1	14	90		25	1	4	35			10					29
30	North Platte—First	1	35	335	5	50	1	10	130			75			2	10	30
31	Omaha—First	1	30	225		31	1	10	103			28				1	31
32	Omaha—Grace	1	16	103								12					32
33	Omaha—Kountze Memorial	4	110	880		292				2	20	156	2				33
34	Omaha—Luther Memorial	1	12	85		21	1	6	65			14				4	34
35	Omaha—Redeemer	1	32	250		38	1	12	103	5	22	33	1		1	9	35
36	Omaha—St. Luke's	1	34	250			1	13	80	10	50	62			1	3	36
37	Omaha—St. Mark's	1	20	75		4	1	4	30							1	37
38	Oshkosh—St. Mark's	1	10	70								8					38
39	Paxton—Trinity	1	14	78		25						8				3	39
40	Ponca—Salem	1	12	65		24	1	4	33								40
41	Potter—First	1	5	40													41
42	Rising City—First	1	12	71		13						8			1	1	42
43	Scribner—United	1	12	73		16						14			3		43
44	Sidney—Trinity	1	10	100	10							14					44
45	Snyder—Immanuel	1	2	12												1	45
46	So. Sioux City—First	1	24	160		38						20	2			4	46
47	Spencer—United	1	7	50		10	1	5	35	2	8					2	47
48	Stamford—Trinity	1	20	65		6	1	1	10	3	20					2	48
49	Stella—Trinity	1	5	31													49
50	Sutherland—Grace																50
51	Tekamah—Emmanuel	1	13	80		20	1	6	41			5				1	51
52	Vacoma—St. John's																52
53	Verdon—St. Mark's	1	10	112		10						4			2	2	53
‡54	Walton—Grace	1	7	36													54‡
55	Wayne—St. Paul's	1	16	90		19				4	35	24				6	55
56	West Point—Grace	1	15	253		70						20			2	3	56
57	Wilber—First	1	18	90		20											57
58	Wolbach—Trinity	1	6	40													58
59	York—First	1	6	44			1	1	10			12				2	59
1944		57	942	6402	40	1326	21	118	1025	54	412	932	7		29	105	1944
1943		53	943	6456	51	1148	18	116	954	55	495	873	7		24	104	1943
Inc.		4				178	3	2	71			59			5	1	Inc.
Dec.			1	54	11					1	83						Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																		Index Number
	Men's		Women's		Mixed		Y'g People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE									
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED				
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
1	1	25	3	140					15000	4000				19000		1818	632	2450					32	32	456	169.00	201.00	2651.00	1
2	1	25	3	50			1	15	24000	4700				28700		4135	1067	5202	59	419	298	808	20	1604	1446	1446.00	3050.00	8252.00	2
3			3	70					30000	6500				36500		2252	731	2991	6	90		183	185	464	508	373.00	837.00	3828.00	3
* 4			1	15			1	15	3000					3000	2100	515	380	895					17	17			17.00	912.00	4*
5	1	21	3	57					8700	2700			100	11500		1312	956	2268		24		39	124	187	485	380.00	567.00	2835.00	5
6			1	14			1	11	700	2500				3200	1256	922	216	1138					108	108	559	156.00	264.00	1402.00	6
7			2	30			1	6	7500	4000				11500	1250	1812	291	2103				70		70	286	288.00	358.00	2461.00	7
8			2	20					6500				187	6687		70		70			34	10	7	51	32	5.00	56.00	126.00	8
9	1	8	2	55					15000	2500				17500		1982	686	2668	11			63	114	188	546	411.90	599.90	3267.90	9
10									2500					2500					52			75	10	137	499	100.00	237.00	237.00	10
11			2	90			1	15	26000	7000				33000		3066	580	3646		9	5	65	184	263	942	942.00	1205.00	4851.00	11
12			1	38					2000					2000		462	4	466							208	10.35	10.35	476.35	12
13	1	21	1	81			1	15	25000	5000				30000		2600	433	3033	10	104		120	604	838	859	859.00	1697.00	4730.00	13
‡14									1200					1200	140										74	14.00	14.00	14.00	14‡
15			4	115			1	28	20000	4000				24000		2682		2682				165	110	275	2546	1027.00	1302.00	3984.00	15
16			2	200			2	50	125000	5000				130000	16000	9810	3000	12810					1216	1216	2167	2261.21	3477.21	16287.21	16
17	1	29	4	122			1	27	35000			8143		43143		6939	658	7597	92	53	35	310	638	1128	4398	2259.00	3387.00	10984.00	17
18									2500	2000			200	4700	760	1187		1187							541	345.00	345.00	1532.00	18
19	1	10	1	16					2400	2800			560	5760	77	1111	254	1365		13		50	91	154	277	50.00	204.00	1569.00	19
20			2	100					15000	5000				20000		2320	254	2574					27	27	333	150.00	177.00	2751.00	20
21			1	18					8000	1150				9150		1330	331	1661	63	11		25	60	159	383	145.00	304.00	1965.00	21
‡22			1	132					10200	2500				12700											795	13.03	13.03	13.03	22
23	1	11	3	77	1	14	2	30	17500	5000			300	22800		3934	1834	5768	35	23	28	41	213	340	929	550.00	890.00	6658.00	23
‡24			1	22					3700					3700									11	11	277	41.00	52.11	52.11	24‡
25			2	41			1	16	7500	4000				11500		1965	1955	3920	27	35	50	101	95	308	767	370.34	678.34	4598.34	25
26			1	30			1	29	6000					6000		915	432	1347				58	30	88	277	261.00	349.00	1696.00	26
27	1	28	5	110	3	87	4	92	15000	5000			35000	55000		6563	761	7324	35	105	36	384	986	1546	2315	2375.00	3921.00	11245.00	27
28	1	15	2	50					10000					10000		4043	666	4709				60	83	143	374	283.00	426.00	5135.00	28
29			3	47			1	12	8000	4000				12000		1989		1989				139		139	744	458.36	597.91	2586.91	29
30	1	20	4	180	1	30	6	130	100000	10000				110000	6800	9250	142	9392					2840	2840	2204	2242.00	5082.00	14474.00	30
31			3	58	1	24	1	15	20000	3500			2500	26000	2500	3904	2898	6802				135	364	499	1395	622.00	1121.00	7923.00	31
32	1	10	3	53					20000			500	2500	23000		3667	361	4028					489	489	785	162.00	651.00	4679.00	32
33			6	548			2	66	300000			5000	15000	320000	19000	22719	27019	49738	133	1425	2140	882	2712	7292	10146	4800.00	12092.00	61830.00	33
34			3	87			1	26	14500	5500				20000	7651	5084		5084		126	88	17	182	413	268	571.00	984.00	6068.00	34
35	1	21	2	80	1	22	2	31	22500	7000				29500	6400	5792	5999	11791		50		72	789	911	1769	2205.00	3116.00	14907.00	35
36	2	50	2	109	1	25	2	55	72300					72300	16000	8463	6757	15220	10		200	66	551	827	2504	2602.00	3429.00	18649.00	36
37			3	37					15000	3500				18500		3489		3489	17	290	13	173	63	556	624	517.43	1073.43	4562.43	37
38			2	46					4000	4500				8500		1065	50	1115	8	20	4	76	72	180	222	222.00	402.00	1517.00	38
39			2	50					5000	2000				7000		2021		2021	5	185	130	40	174	534	485	546.00	1080.00	3101.00	39
40			1	37					20000	5000		303		25303		2067	399	2406					211	211	1007	574.04	785.04	3191.04	40
41									3000	2000			100	5100		645	377	1022					45	45	156	156.00	201.00	1223.00	41
42			1	26	1	18	1	12	14700	1000			225	15925		1906		1906	15	5	35	23	299	379	940	452.00	831.10	2737.10	42
43			1	41			1	20	4250					4250	1100	2203	1670	3873		28	91	191	128	438	739	163.00	601.00	4474.00	43
44			2	53			1	8	8000	5000				13000		2242		2242		167	33	35	177	412	785	786.34	1198.34	3440.34	44
45			1	15					3500					3500		647	100	747				38	47	85	254	25.00	110.00	857.00	45
46	1	20	1	46					25000	6500				31500	3000	3529	3475	7004	15	10		134	470	629	1178	712.00	1341.00	8345.00	46
47			2	26					1200	1500				2700		876		876					82	82	397	48.00	130.75	1006.75	47
48			1	31			1	16	12000	2500				14500		1467	242	1709				3	95	98	660	208.00	306.00	2015.00	48
49									2500	2000				4500		626	40	666			10	15	5	30	97		30.00	696.00	49
50									4000					4000		346		346			6		30	36	74	88.00	124.00	470.00	50
51			1	25			1	14	15000	2500			300	17800		1751	667	2418	2	85	64	33	132	316	420	420.00	736.00	3154.00	51
52			1	11					2000					2000		503	30	533		7		21	29	57	273	200.00	257.00	790.00	52
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